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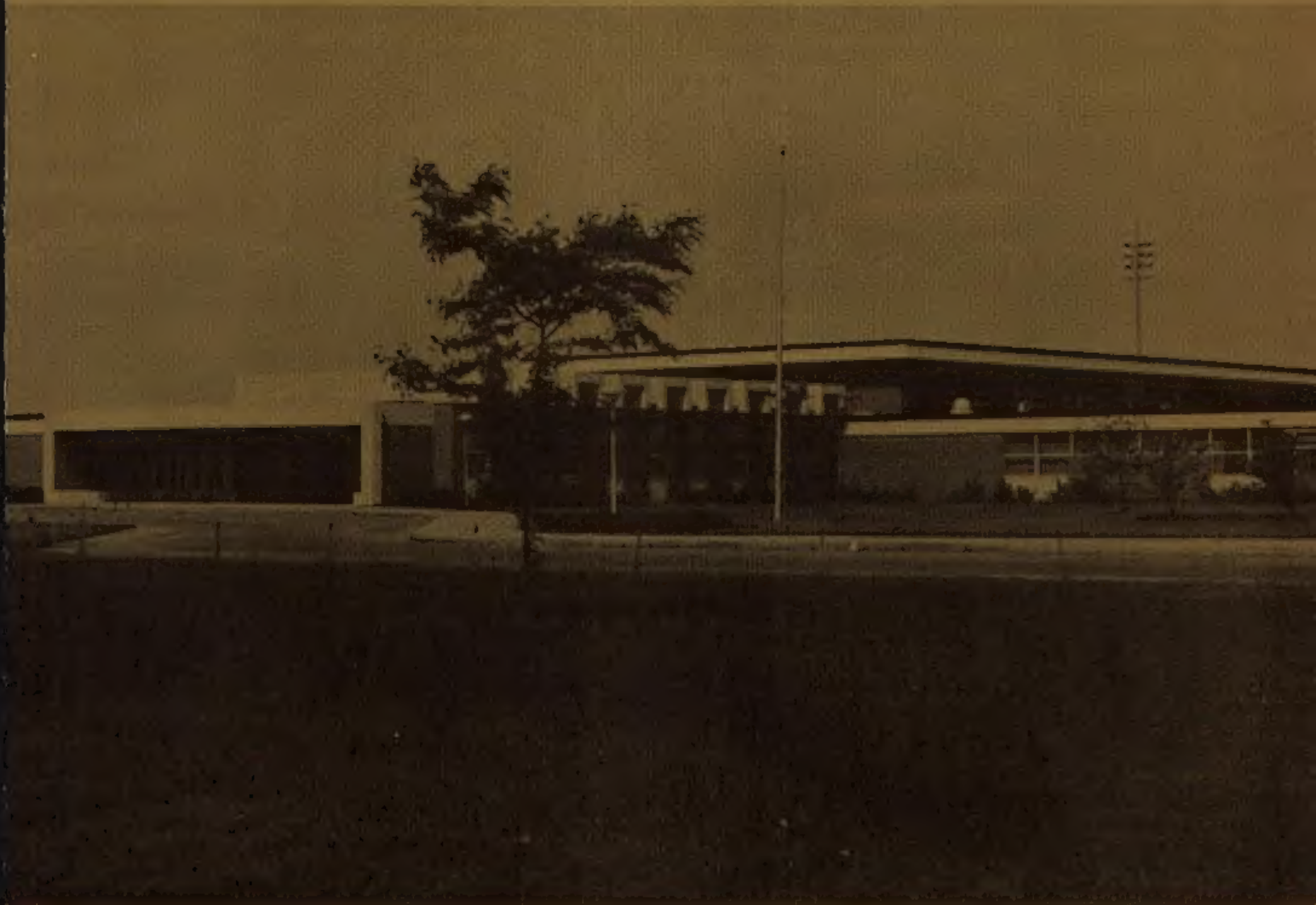
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*What's it all about . . .*







Churning throngs desperately searching,  
straining to reach reality . . .  
wondering which way to turn or who to follow.  
Uncertainty always, but still trying . . .  
trying to find life.

Disappointment and heartbreak  
deflate our hopes, then bubbling happiness  
bursts through.

Not being elected cheerleader, but  
chosen as homecoming queen . . .

Losing the basketball championship,  
but winning the football conference . . .

Missing election to the student council, but  
tapped for Honor Society . . .

Win or lose, all of these help build character  
and pride in one's self.

Through these experiences we gain an invaluable  
understanding of others—

their character and inner feelings.

This involvement in our youth will yield  
many impressions which will  
later become our guidelines for life.

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Thinking, dreaming, wondering what lies ahead, as well as remembering what was left behind.

World problems . . . pollution, crime, famine, war . . . World achievements . . . reaching the surface of the moon, advancements of technology, medical organ transplants . . .

All involve us in a struggle to decide what must be changed . . . which is wrong, and more important, which is right. Though it all is learning—not just facts—but about ourself and others. This, when coupled with a realistic effort and a constant belief that we must help each other, will produce a solid base for creating worthy changes for mankind . . .











Parties, projects, awards, lectures . . .  
All are a part of our life  
and all contain tiny bits of  
our personality.

Through working together  
and playing together we gain  
many warm friendships and learn  
to overcome discord and  
conflict with compassion and understanding.

Together we shall strive to use  
our enthusiasm and spirit to  
create a world far better—  
far, far, better . . .

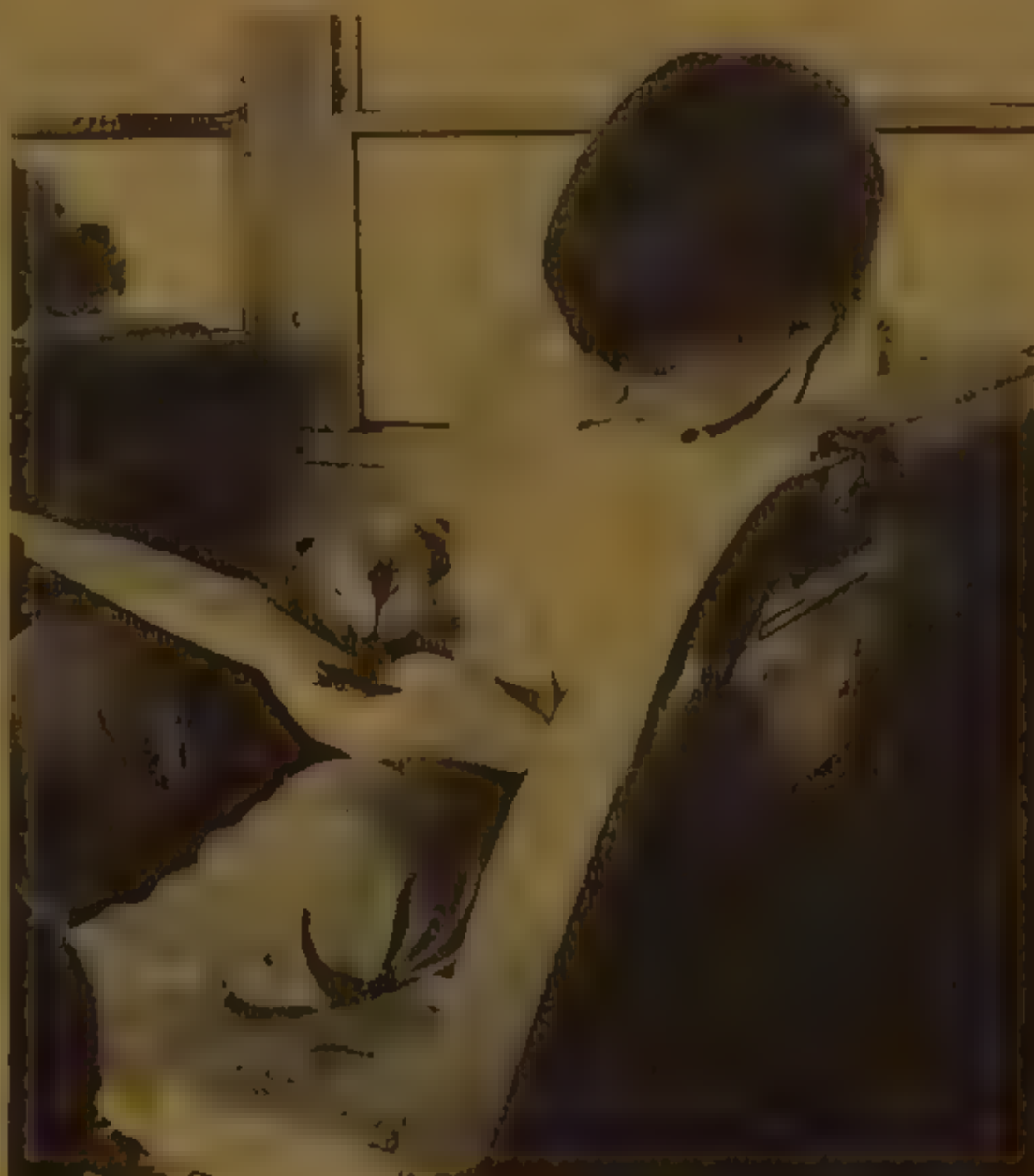
Remembering we are all brothers . . .



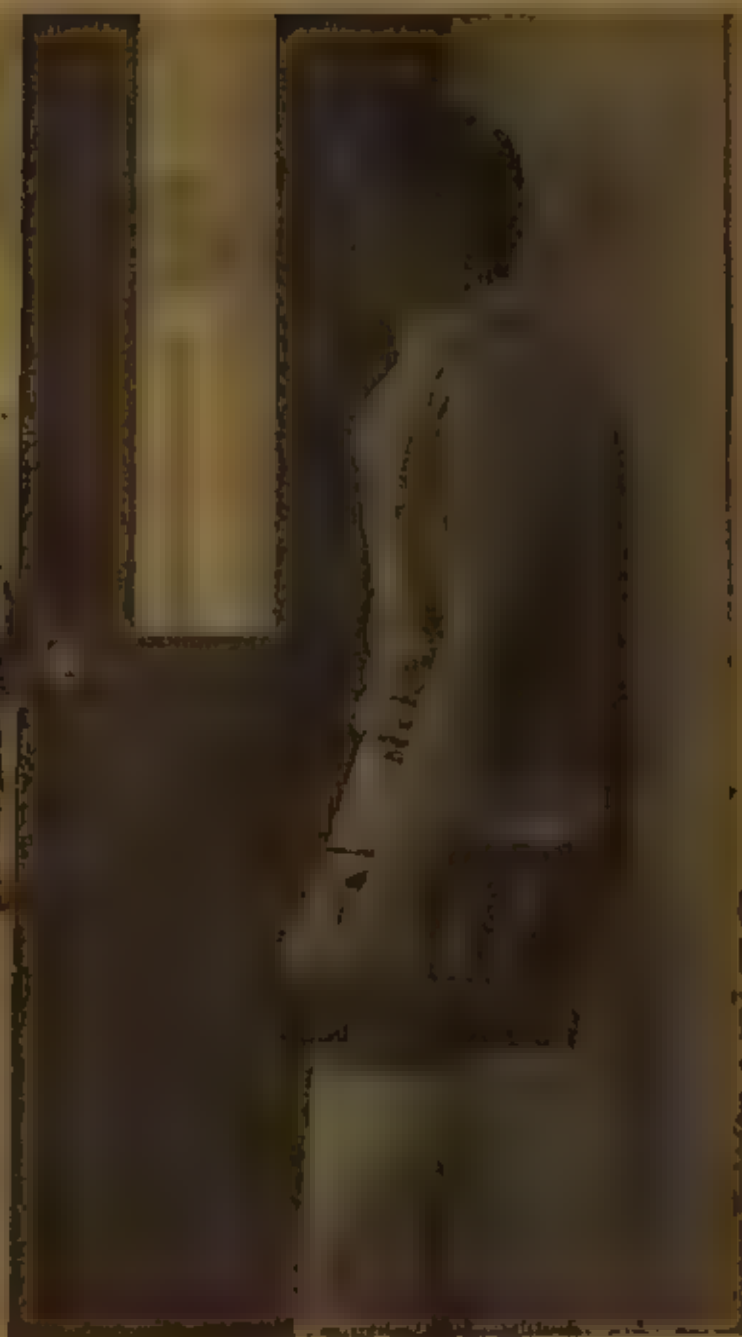


# Clowning around, studying—both part of school

Believing "All work and no play makes Johnny a dull boy," the students of PHHS find time to cut up with their friends as well as to get their homework done. Self-discipline is an important factor in finding time for both study and play. Though both are important in a well-rounded school life.



Sometimes getting homework done isn't easy



Between class breaks offer relaxation.



Seniors always seem to find time to cut up.



# Little things make life complete



The A V C R take a break at a school dance



What is so funny, Debbie?



Carni Chamberlin works in the art room.



Has Mel Watkins been hired as a janitor?

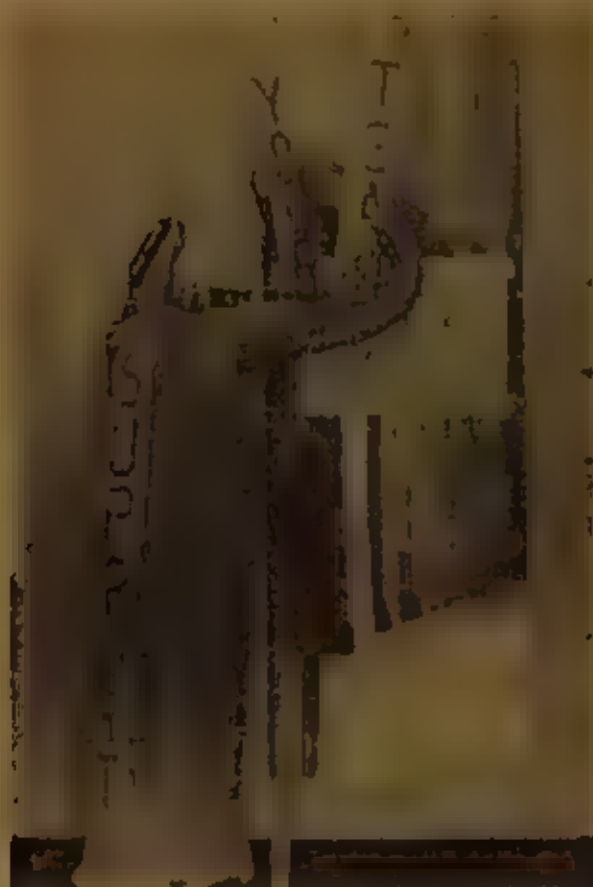


# School spirit reaches all-time high

If school spirit increases as much in the future as it did this year, the walls will soon burst from the pressure. Everyone got into the act by doing their own thing—trying out for cheerleading, making posters and displays, or maybe just yelling their heads off at pep sessions. Spirit rebounded throughout the halls of PHHS.



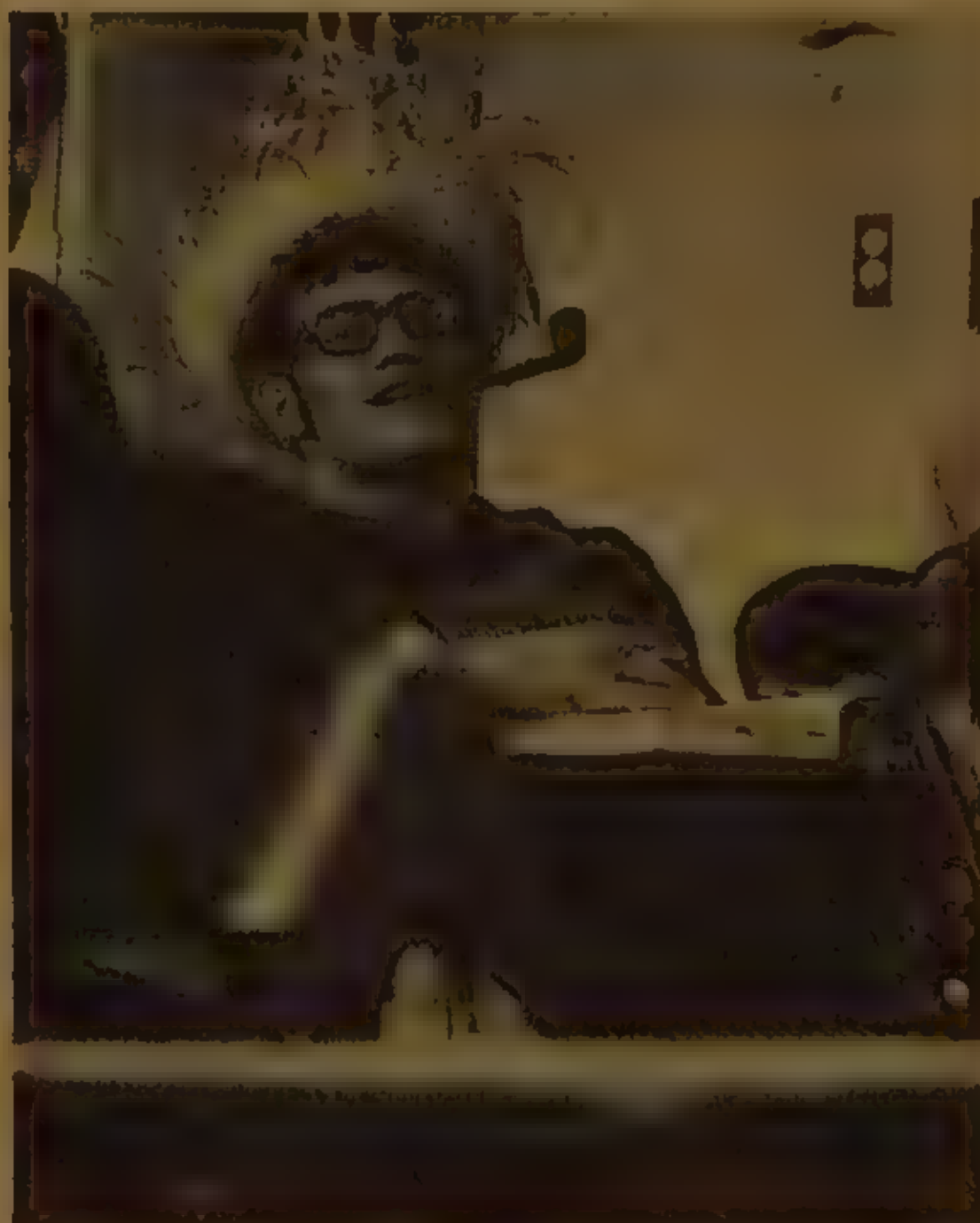
Weekly pep sessions fired up our team for big night



Senior class display characterizes school's support of their team.



Many girls try out for Junior Varsity Cheerleader.



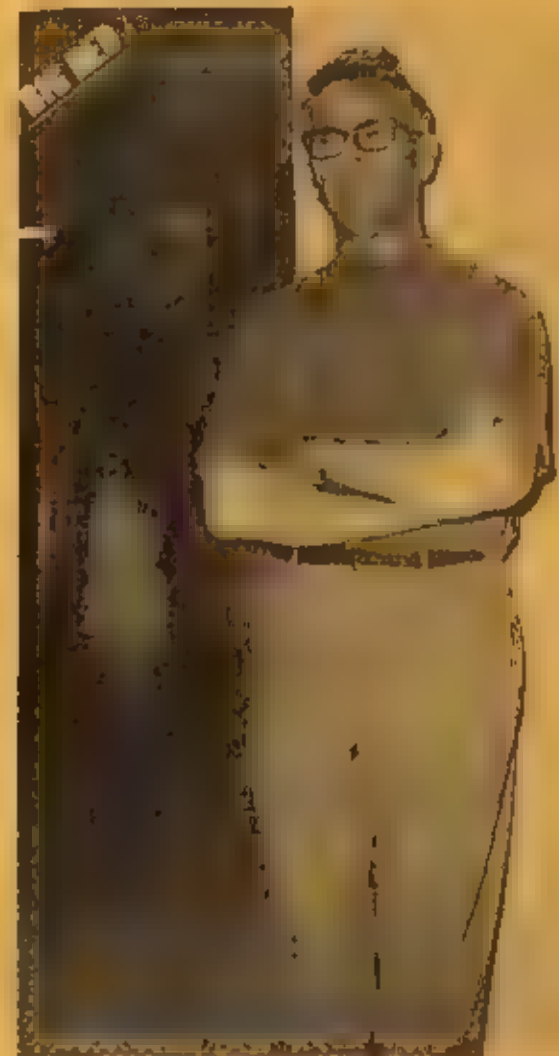
Deciding to go along with the joke of being Prairie Heights Farmers, Seniors dressed accordingly on Senior Farmer Day to show their spirit.



Practice + more practice = perfection



Pom-pom girls stay after school many nights to practice various routines.



Mr. Riegel watches the pom-pom girls practice.



Although the weather is rainy, the pom-pom girls perform their synchronized routines during halftime at a football game for faithful Panther fans.



# Wet Homecoming could not dampen spirits

Despite rain, Homecoming overflowed with soaring spirit. New memories were created for students, and old ones were remembered by alumni on this special night.

Homecoming was lots of work, for students and administration, but no one complained. Everyone pitched in to do their share in building a memorable night. Classes and organizations made floats, chose queen candidates, performed skits, and rehearsed the band show. The pom pom girls practiced their Charleston routine, and most important the team prepared for the "big night."

Winning the title of '69 Homecoming Queen, Bev Jones glows happily, while she is crowned by Pam Young, last year's queen.

Holding back the Cadets, the mighty Panther Pack fought earnestly for a Homecoming victory.







Endeavoring to keep the game's statistics, Doug Booth, at the same time, tries to keep dry. Already drenched is Mr. Hepler.



These eight girls, an example of our school beauties, were Homecoming Queen candidates, V Bontrager (Soph.); T. Keyes, C Selen (Fresh.); B. Jones, L. Krebs (jr.); J Rowe (Soph.); S. Hall, K. Pettyjohn (Sr.)

"Push 'em Back Panthers" was the theme of the Senior's winning float. The Varsity Cheer leader's horsepower maneuvered the float around the track.



# Participating—important in life



Dee Sellers lights her candle from the torch as she becomes inducted into the National Honor Society.



Rich Taylor and Chris Smith look at various yearbooks searching for new ideas.



Student Council Members working in the concession stand during basketball season.



On college day, former PHHS students inform juniors and seniors "what college is really like".



# Juniors visit "Head Start"



Juniors received a rude awakening on the facts of life when they visited with the Fort Wayne Head Start Program. They were shocked, for here was poverty, here were children, who sometimes didn't have enough to eat. All of our Juniors were deeply touched by these little children. They were glad for the chance to talk to them, and to learn more about the chance Head Start gives them. Also they were more thankful for their own good homes.

Jerry Graham makes friends quickly.



Linda Lash holds a small child in her arms.



Lee Diehl, talks to children as they play. They need someone to be interested and to care enough to take time to talk.

Charlie Rasler and Susan Spade help paint.



# Seniors win class tourney

Seniors, Bonita Hunter and Scott Reese take part in the special Earth Day convocation by giving speeches.

Many things are involved in the life of a student. There is of course school work, but there are other little things that add up to make life complete. Such things are walking in the halls with someone special, trying to sneak a stick of gum or pass a note in studyhall without getting caught, winning or losing the class tourney, and taking part in convocations. These are the little incidents that will be remembered, and that add spice and variety to school life and make it more fun to be a student.



Class tourneys rouse good-natured competition. During the Junior-Senior championship game, Senior Sam Perkins aims a shot.



At a convocation about the jungle life in Africa, Russ Fretz and Rick Jacquay give a concert using primitive tribal instruments.

Victorious seniors came out on top in class tourneys. Team and coach are pictured here with their \$10 dollar prize.





# Student life: where the action is!

Mr. Jones can't seem to decide if he wants to try the Home Ec girls' foreign food.



Ron Evans and Debbie Weiss were boy and girl state candidates.



Here we catch a view of a typical locker.



Senior math students play a math game.

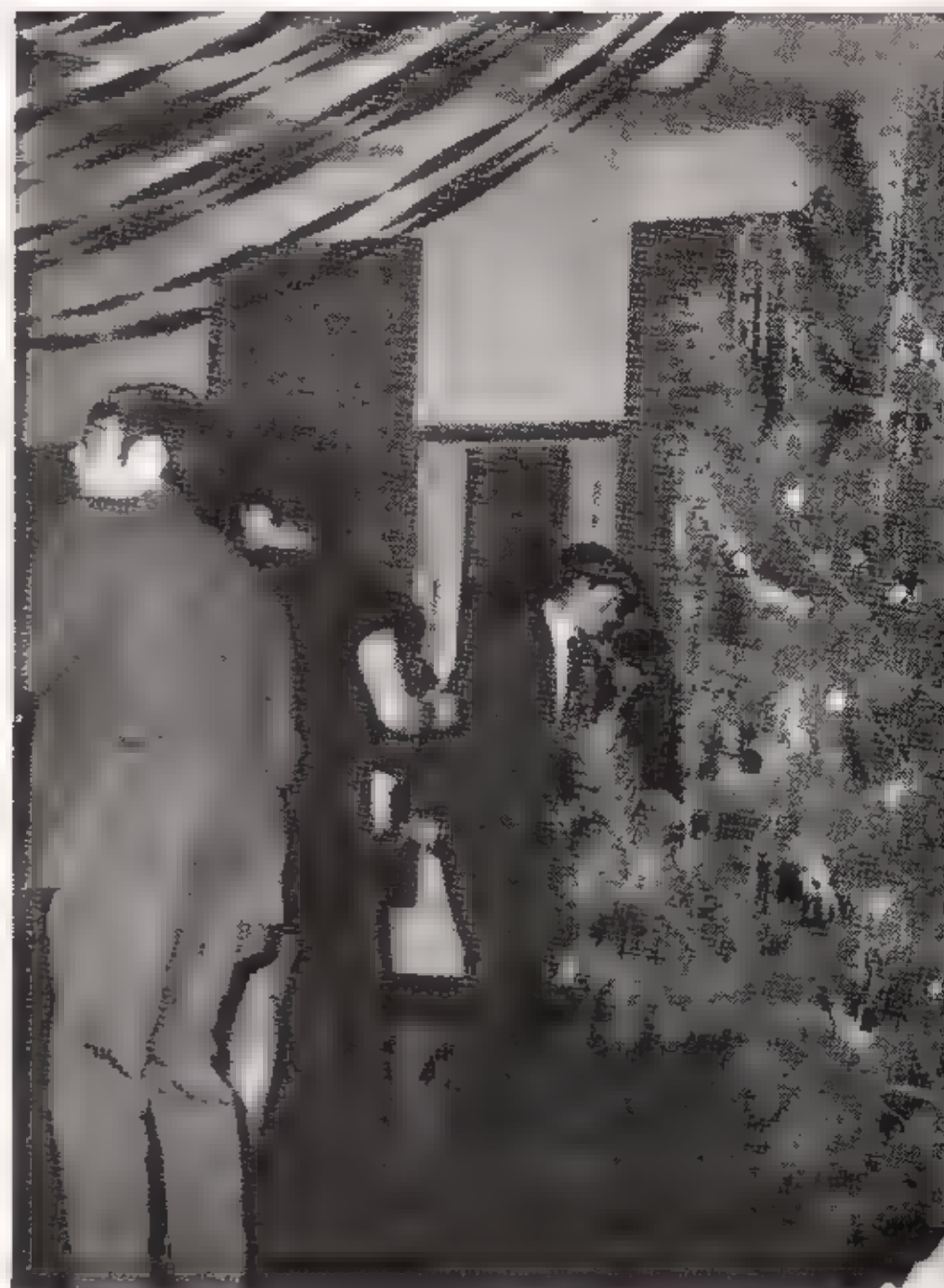
# Spring fling dance is held

Spring, that time of year when the grass and trees once again turn green and the freshness of the air makes you say, "It's great to be alive." Spring is a wonderful time of year to celebrate by having a dance—Right? So the Spring Fling Dance was held complete with king and queen candidates. Senior, Larry Spero was elected King and junior Patti Kain, Queen.

Connie Hicks (Sr.), Rick Tracey (Soph.), Carol Beer (Soph.), Larry Noll (Jr.) Toni Keyes (Fresh.), Larry Spero (Sr.), Patti Kain (Jr.)



These happy couples, dressed in their Christmas best, help themselves to refreshments at the Christmas Dance.



It's fun to sit before the Christmas



# queens raise funds for march of dimes



The election of a March of Dimes Queen is an annual custom at PHHS. This election is a money-raising project for a very worthy cause—the March of Dimes. By voting for a queen, students contribute to the fund for helping crippled children. This year's queen was the sparkling Pam Householder who is a Senior. Pam also reigned at a dance at the Angola Armory.

Toni Keyes, (Fresh.), Jo VanWagner (Soph), Debbie German (Jr.) and Pam Householder (Sr )



Free and daydream at the Christmas Dance.



Couples dance dreamily in the romantic atmosphere created at the Christmas Dance.

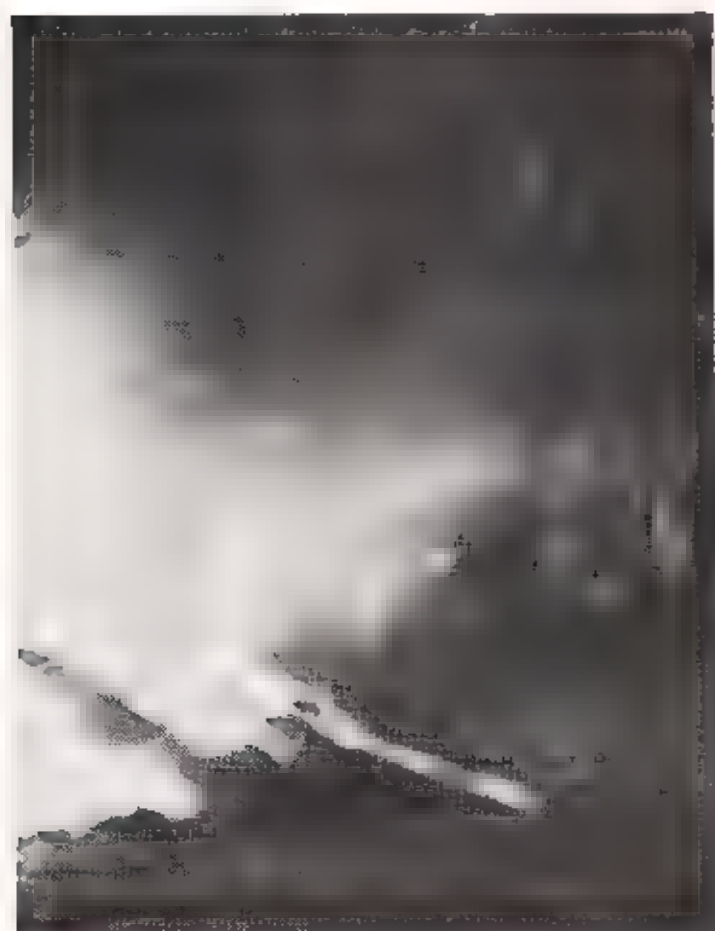
# PHHS students are on the go

Track boys discuss plans for the meet.



Dave Bryant and Larry Spero dig the base for the flag being donated by the Orland American Legion to honor PHHS graduates who lost their lives in Viet Nam.

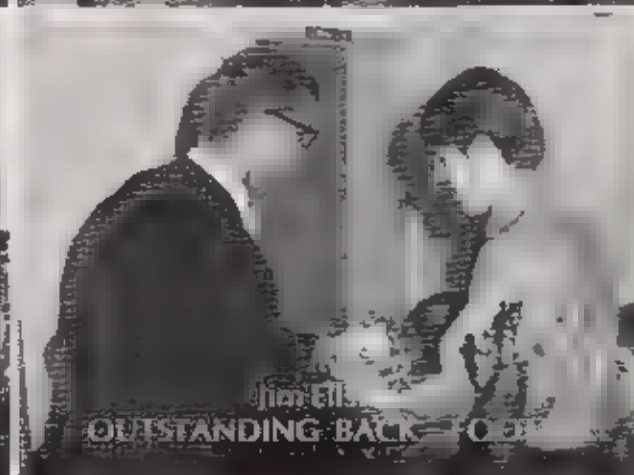
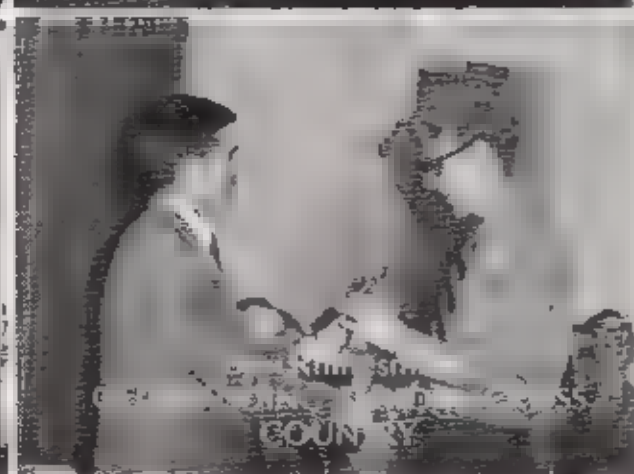
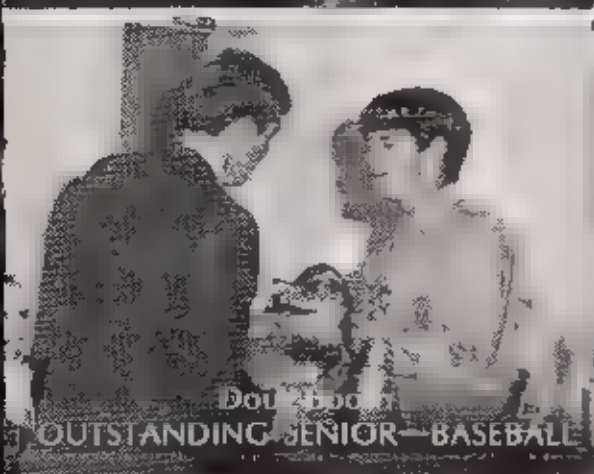
The bonfire arouses spirit for Homecoming.



These two boys perform a daring stunt on the apparatus called the Horse. Sure hope it turns out safely.



# Athletic banquet honors athletes



The Athletic Banquet is held annually to honor our school athletes for their efforts and achievements. Probably what these athletes look forward to most, besides their trophies and awards, is the good food that is served.



George King, the basketball coach at Purdue, gave an interesting speech at the Athletic Banquet.

Rhonda Sellers receives her award for being a cheerleader for six years from sponsor, Mrs. Haggerty



Eating is a favorite part of the Athletic Banquet.



# Senior awards are special custom

Senior awards day is a special custom and a special day for Seniors. It is a program dedicated exclusively to the Senior Class to recognize the achievements of its individuals. This program is always scheduled on the last day of school for Seniors, so this also makes it special; a day to be remembered.

Mr. Hepler congratulates Earl Himes as he receives a trophy for high score in Intramural bowling.

Pat Richards and Scott Reese receive recognition for their high placing in the drafting contest at Tri-State College.



Students in AV Club are awarded certificates



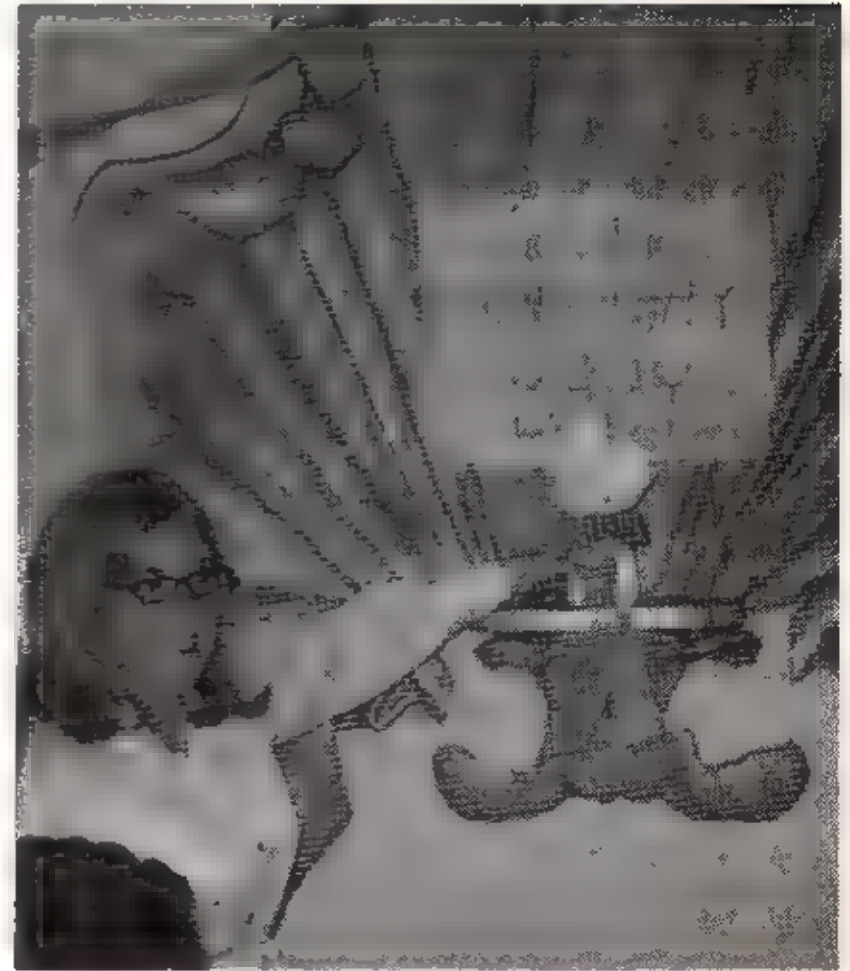
Mr. Jones presents the yearbook staff with highly earned pins.





# The class of 1970 is recognized

Four year math students receive certificates.



Charlene Gillen receives the booby prize during a little game that was played at the GAA Banquet.



Connie Hicks receives the award for outstanding achievement in English. This award was given for the first time, this year.



Carol Kurtz receives recognition for attending every basketball game.

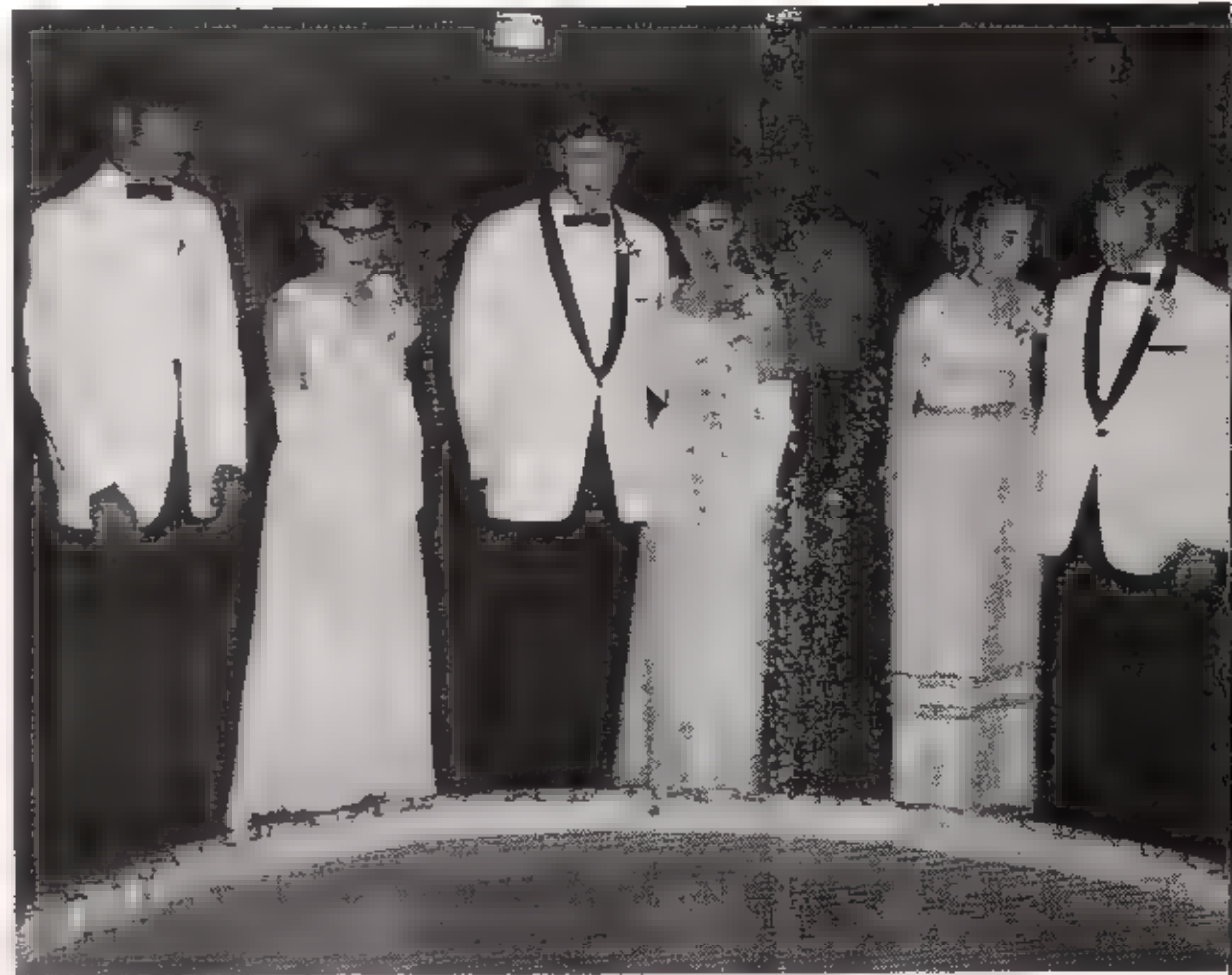
## "Love to eternity" theme of

Prom night is like a dream; a fantasy built in fairyland and sprinkled with mystery. The soft rustling of long dresses, gentle strains of music, whispered words, and secret kisses, add romance to a perfect night and make the prom the most beautiful night of the year.

This is the kind of night that creates lasting memories. Memories to be locked away and labeled, "Special."

A special night, a night to be remembered and relived is prom night. A night to dance with someone special, a night to fall in love, and to love to eternity!

These couples gaze dreamily into the fountain, which adds to the romance and mystery of the evening.



Carla Rettinger and Doug Wilder, are captured by the romantic mood of prom night. This is truly a night to dance until midnight, steal kisses in the soft light and to fall in love.



Couples exchange laughing comments on the dance floor, or stop to chat for a few minutes on the beauty of the night.

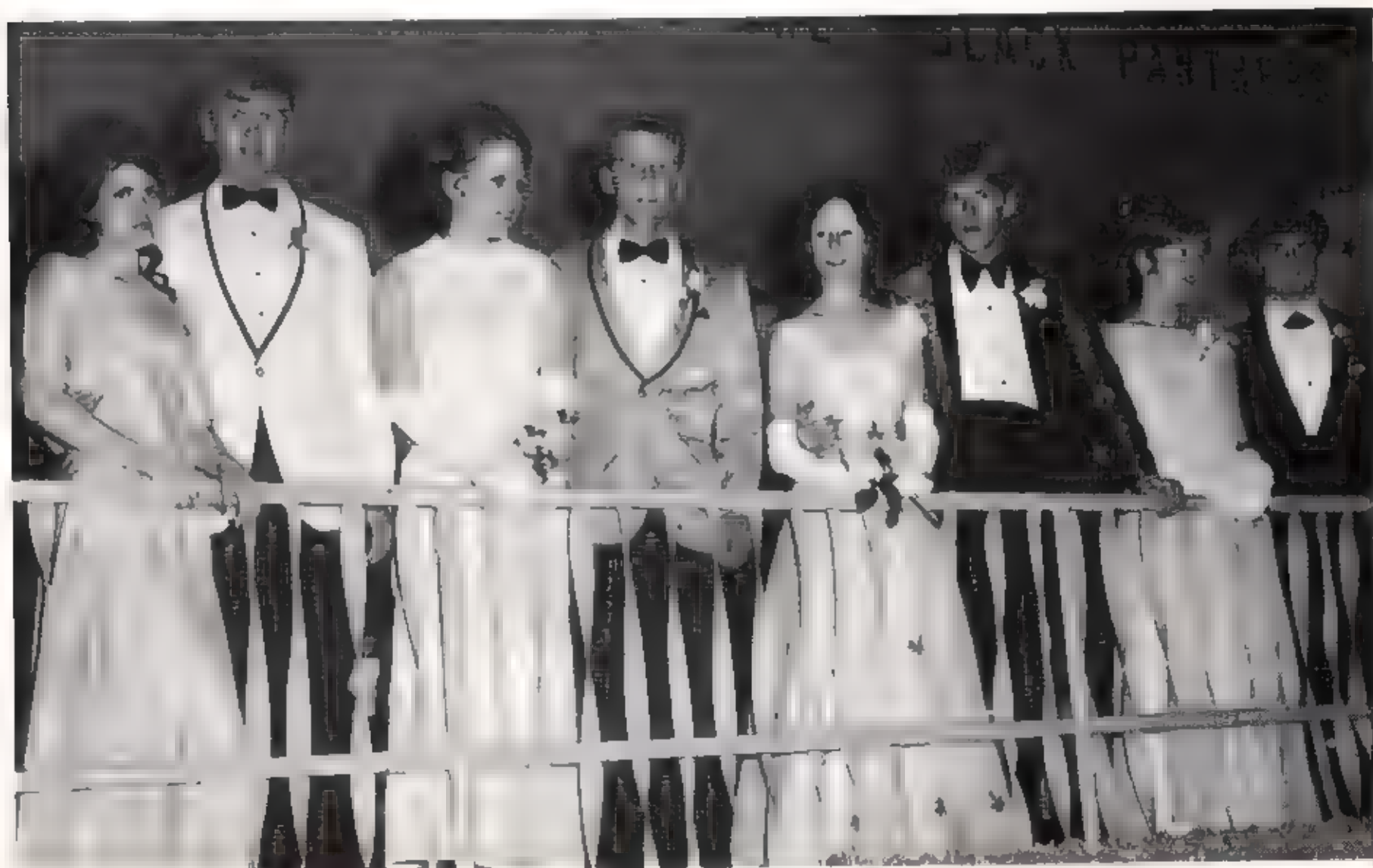


# junior-senior prom night



The soft notes of background music invite dancing and add romance to prom night.

Couples gaze from the deck at the dancers on the floor below.



# Graduation 1970 brings tears-joy

After 12 years of waiting the big moment has finally arrived. Graduation 1970! After 12 years of growing, learning, playing, and living, it is your turn. Your turn to walk down the aisle, receive your diploma, turn your tassel, and walk back up the aisle for the last time as a class. As you take that last walk you are a little different, a little more grown up, a little wiser, and a little sadder.

Graduation is the saddest and yet happiest moment you will ever experience during high school. Nothing can match that feeling of elation that overwhelms you as you clutch your diploma tightly. And yet—and yet, as you look around at your classmates another feeling invades your heart—sadness. Sadness because you are losing something dear, many friends you might never see again. Now at this moment you are changing. The door to the future is open wide and this is the first big step towards it. Now you will find the answer to, "What does life hold for me?"



During Baccalaureate, Senior choir members sang two songs, the traditional "Alma Mater," and "Let There Be Peace."

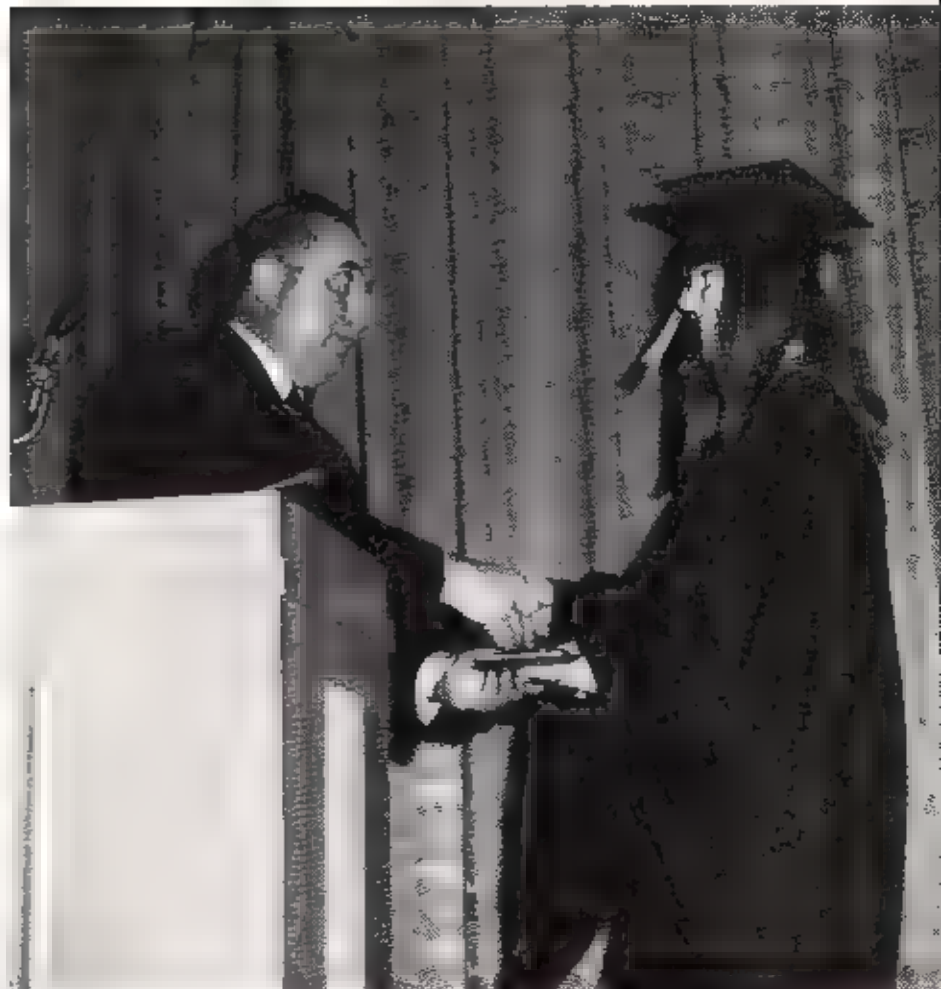
The graduating class of 1970 listens to Reverend Paul Hopwood, the Baccalaureate speaker, in solemn silence.







The class of 1970 marches into the gym for the final time. The big moment has finally arrived and the graduates are ready for it.



Bonita Hunter, smiles happily as she receives the Valedictorian award and a handshake from Mr. Diehl.

## Nervous but elated seniors graduate

Salutatorian, Janice Shire is a little nervous, but her speech touched the hearts of all who heard it.

The solemnity of Baccalaureate sticks with the Senior boys as they walk towards their cars.

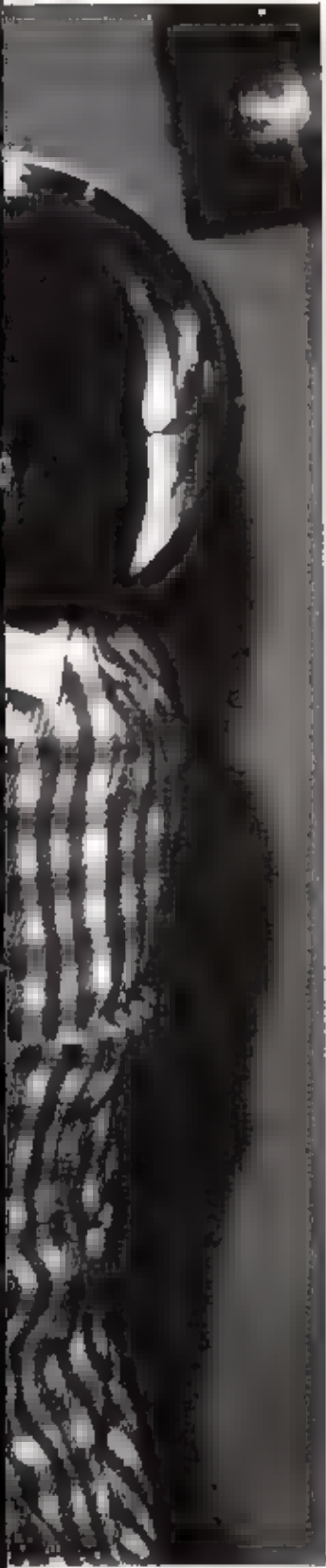


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# ACADEMICS



Book reports, essays, equations, theorems, brush strokes, drilling, pounding . . .

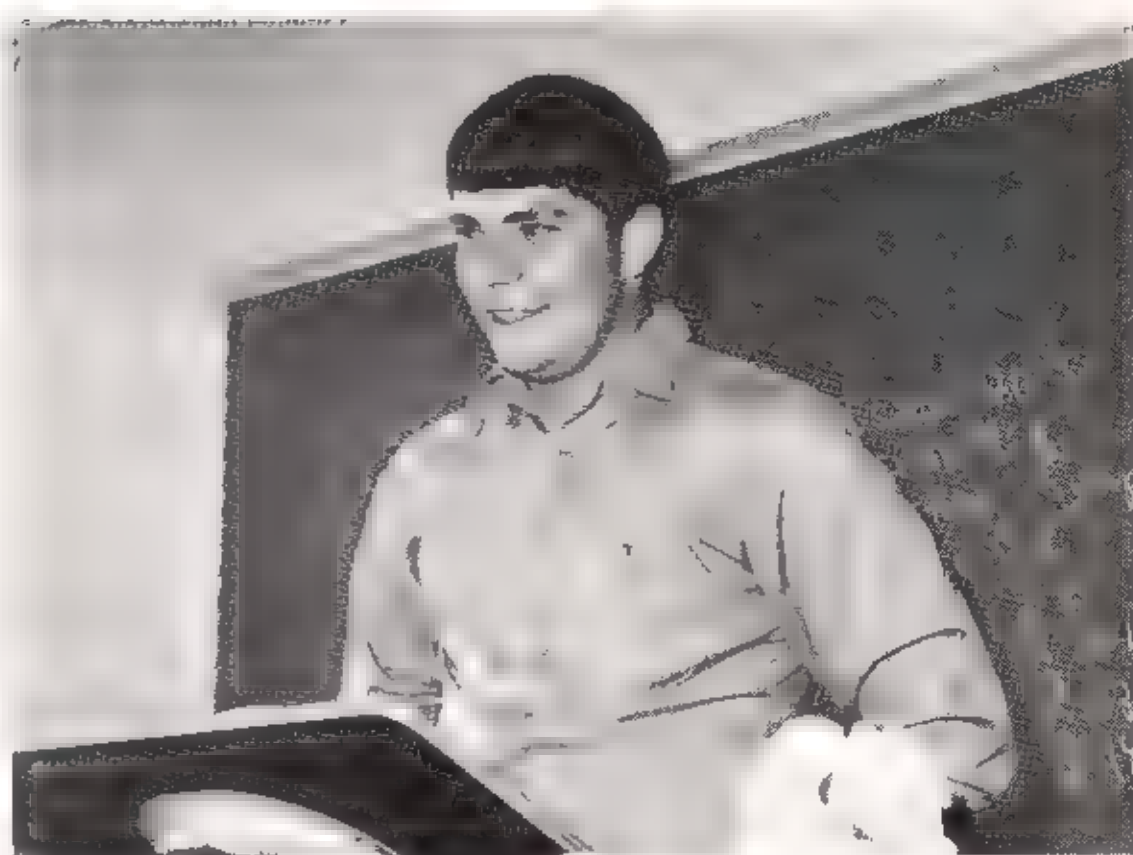
Even though sometimes bemoaned and begroaned by the students as repetitious and stiff, the everyday work of classes is an essential and vital part of our school. By receiving a thorough knowledge of facts, one is enabled to deal with different ideas and discussions intelligently, and make sensible estimations.

However, important as these basic learnings are, many special creative opportunities for the students are innovated into the regular classwork. For instance, some classes went on field trips to radio stations, factories, and museums, while others shared experiences in sensitivity training, enjoyed dramatic interpretations, and delighted in biological study on the nature trail.

# English classes present many projects

The English department of PHHS has taken part in a number of unusual and interesting projects. All English classes were active in group discussions plus being busy with the traditional six week book reports. The Journal Gazette Spelling Bee offered a challenge to seventh and eighth grade students. This was conducted strictly on a voluntary basis. Senior English classes presented a play called, "The Secret Search As The World Turns Into The Edge Of Tomorrow." This was a satirical play written, and acted out completely by the English classes. Seniors also gave an interpretive presentation of T. S. Elliot's, "The Hollow Men," on February 6.

An entirely new class was created in the English Department and this was Composition Class, taught by Mr. Rubley.



Stan Notestine, presents an oral book report to his English class. He doesn't appear to mind this dreaded task.



Terri Hoyer, introduces her parents to Mr. Rubley during open house.



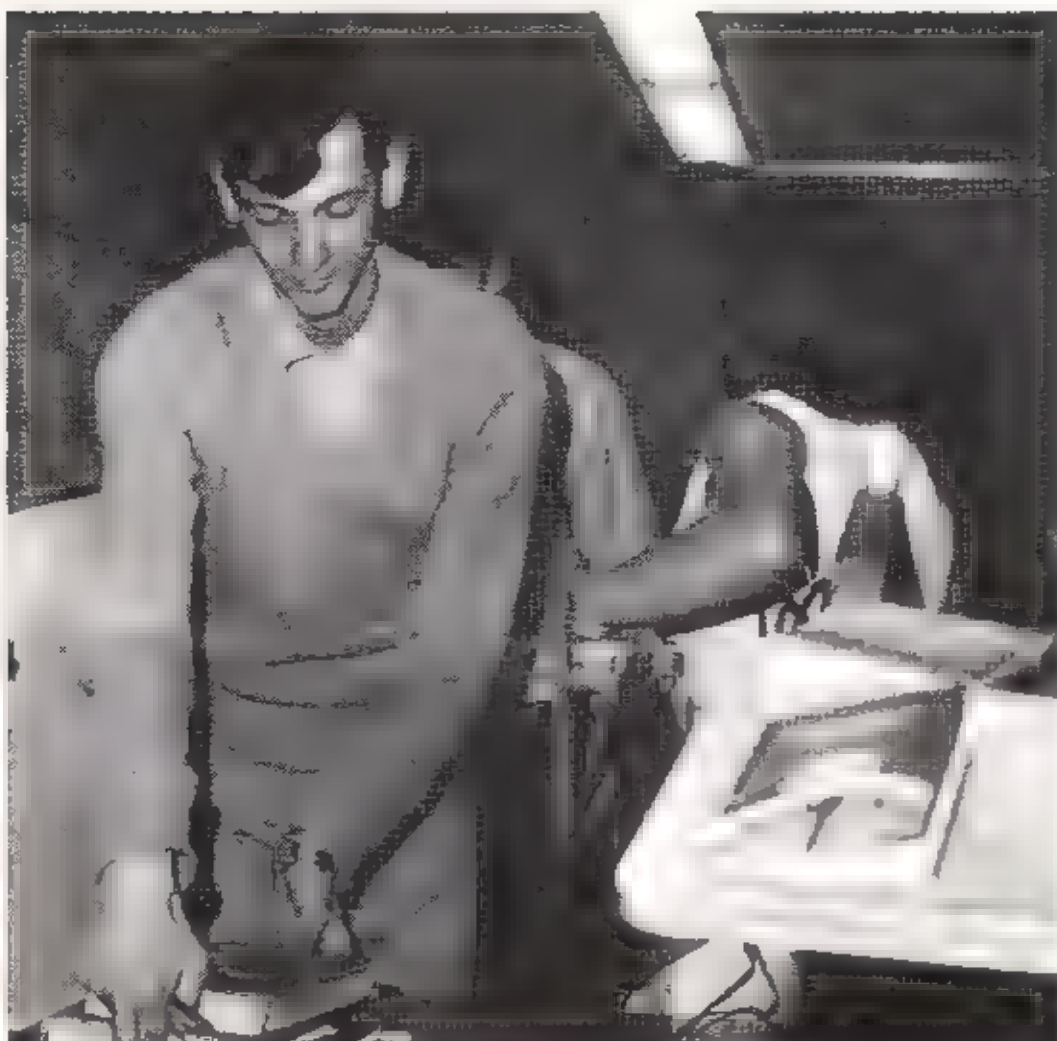
Students listen to different tapes.



By playing games from different countries, students in the Foreign Language Club learn customs.



## Language students study customs



Believing foreign languages are important in a well-rounded education, PHHS offered Spanish as well as French in their Language Department.

Students in both languages utilized the modern console-operated language laboratory which provided them with the opportunity to listen to actual French and Spanish people in various regions of the country on tapes. This aided immensely in correct pronunciation.

Besides recitation and grammar, some attention was focused on learning the culture and customs of various areas of their respective countries. The Spanish students were amazed at some of the strict dating customs.

When the bell rings, it's time to get out of the "Language World" and into the present.

# Art offers creative opportunities

Sculpture — pottery — painting — carving, and other creative work is available to students under the Art Department. The art room is a vivid fairyland for those gifted with an eye for color and the talent and will to work.

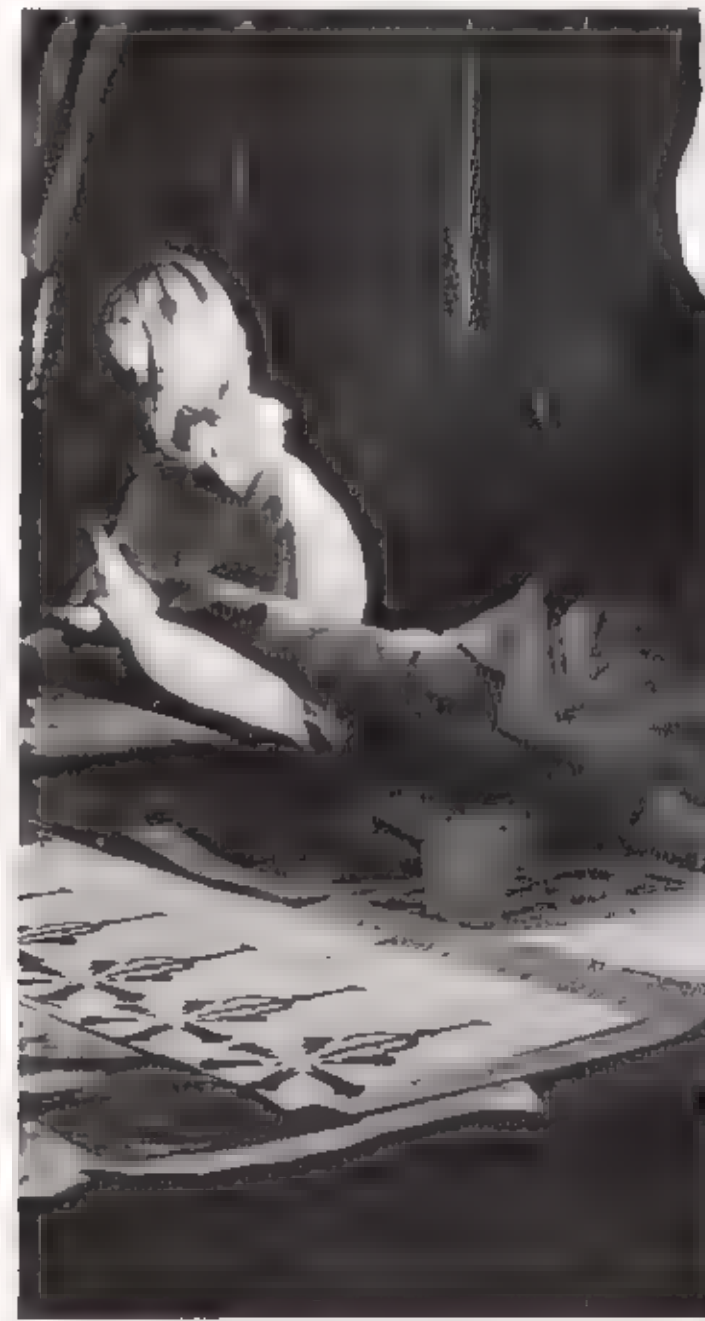
Beginning art students learn the skills of lettering, elements of basic design, and colors and color combinations, before they advance to more complicated art works.

Advanced art students at various times of the year are allowed to choose their own projects.

Ray Klingerman is perplexed by a problem with the art project he is creating, so Mr. Warfel offers a suggestion.

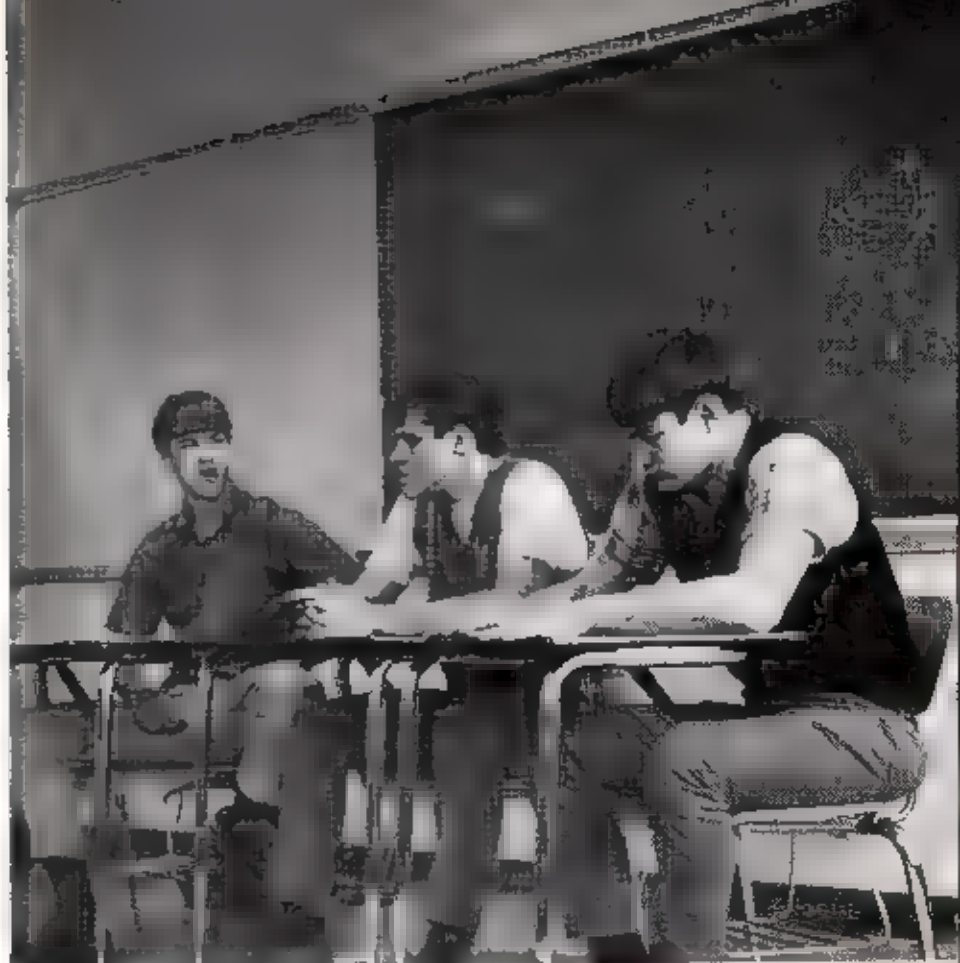


Martha Showalter, Merle Kruger, and Don Rhinesmith, are absorbed in operating a printing press.



Vickie Stauffer and Merri Carpenter, work busily on a printing project. Printing is another skill studied by art students.





Mike Tropp, Stan Helmuth, and Duane Bowman discuss current issues.

Mel Watkins and Mary Hamman show their unique talent singing, "Where, Oh Where Have You Been Tonight." in T.V. class.

## Speech nerve-racking, but worthwhile



Mel Watkins develops his muscles while Mary Hamman televises him.

Beginning with group participation in front of the class to ten-minute speeches, students taking speech enjoyed themselves throughout the year. Mixing fun with work they learned to get in front of the class and give speeches without their teeth chattering.

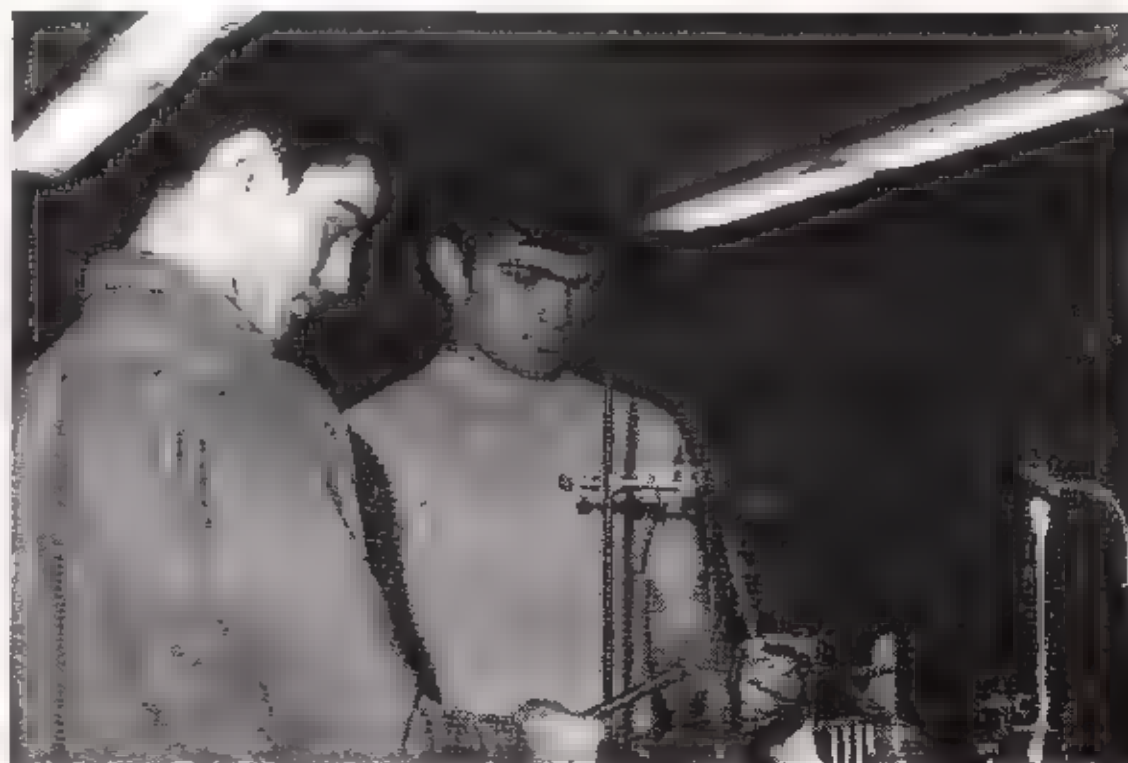
Nothing was impossible to witness in these classes, especially during the heckling speeches. Flying stuffed frogs, whistling, singing, pranks about particular people, name-calling, and everything imaginable was used to make the "poor" individual laugh. Of course, it was funny, until your turn came to give your speech. Then you discovered how hard it was to keep from smiling at the antics.

# Opportunity available for all sciences—

"Aren't the stars beautiful today," the earth-space science students might say. These students are privileged to stargaze with the aid of our excellent planetarium and equipment.

Biology and zoology students become personally acquainted with various forms of animal life through dissection. They also study plant growth in the small greenhouse attached to the biology room and keep small animals there.

The chemistry classes conducted various interesting experiments. Those involving sulfur sent teachers and students flying to open the windows as they gasped for breath. Of course even these experiments were worthwhile.



Ed Gordon and Mike Rhoades are involved in a chemistry experiment. It certainly does look complicated.



Janice Shire tries to solve a puzzling chemistry problem, while Cathy Allen looks on



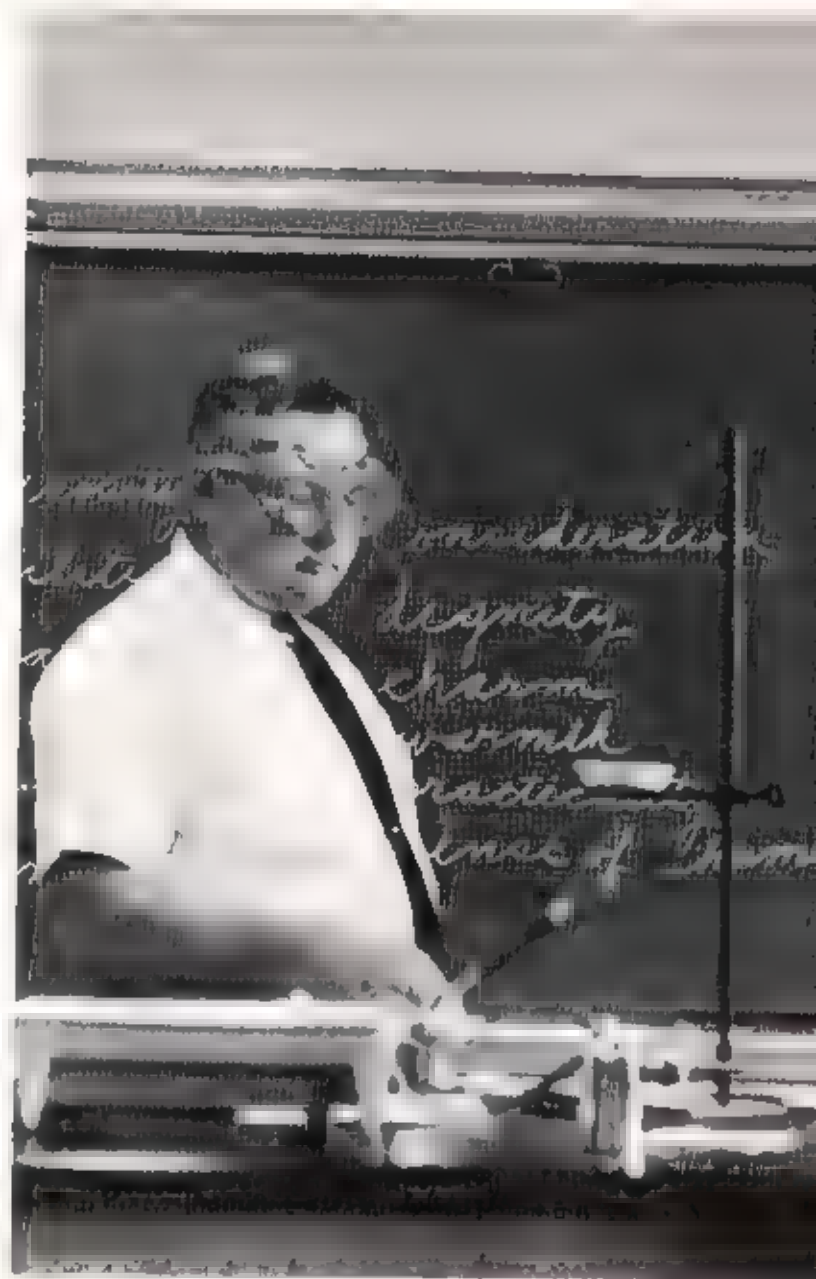
Debbie Fourman prepares for an experiment in Biology Class. What are you studying Debbie?



# natural or applied



Aaron Pfafman helps Dawn Marriman and Janice Shire with a chemistry experiment. Somehow it's not quite like baking a cake.



Goggle-eyed and ready to go, Mr. Deitsch demonstrates a "slight" explosion to the class.



Mr. Weaver explains the turtle's part in the artificial environment created in his aquarium. The turtle seems a little camera shy, doesn't he?

## Psychology, Sociology classes visit



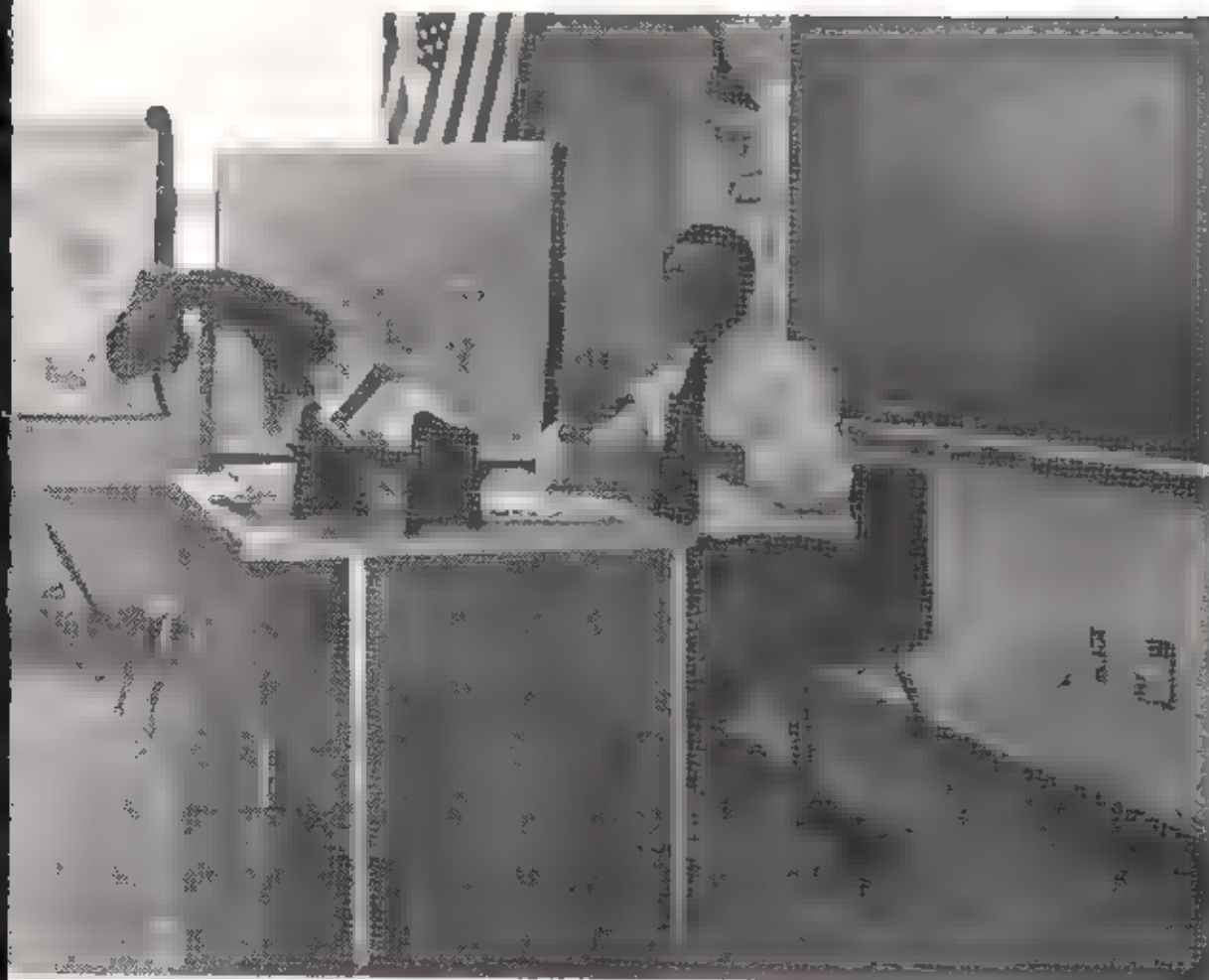
The stockmarket is an important part of Econ class. Here Mr. Gilman advises Steve Schmitz on his stocks.

Jr. high history students wait for Mrs. Haggerty's advice on a history project.





# state school



The Social Science Department includes a number of courses that keep a student busy and usually keep him interested.

An interesting field trip was taken by the Psychology and Sociology classes to the Fort Wayne State School. All students were deeply impressed and willing to discuss their experience in the classroom.

History students were able to get a first-hand look at historical and modern items when they visited the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago.

Government and Economic classes worked on various projects. Government classes interviewed county officials and discussed their results in class. Econ. classes were involved with the stock market and created various Conservation projects.

Preparing an up-coming lesson, Mr. King seems to be pleasantly surprised by the camera taking his picture.

Two Junior high students present an oral report to their history class.



Debbie Merriman holds the bird feeder she made for her conservation project in Economics class.



## 'Rithmetic—one of the "Three R's"

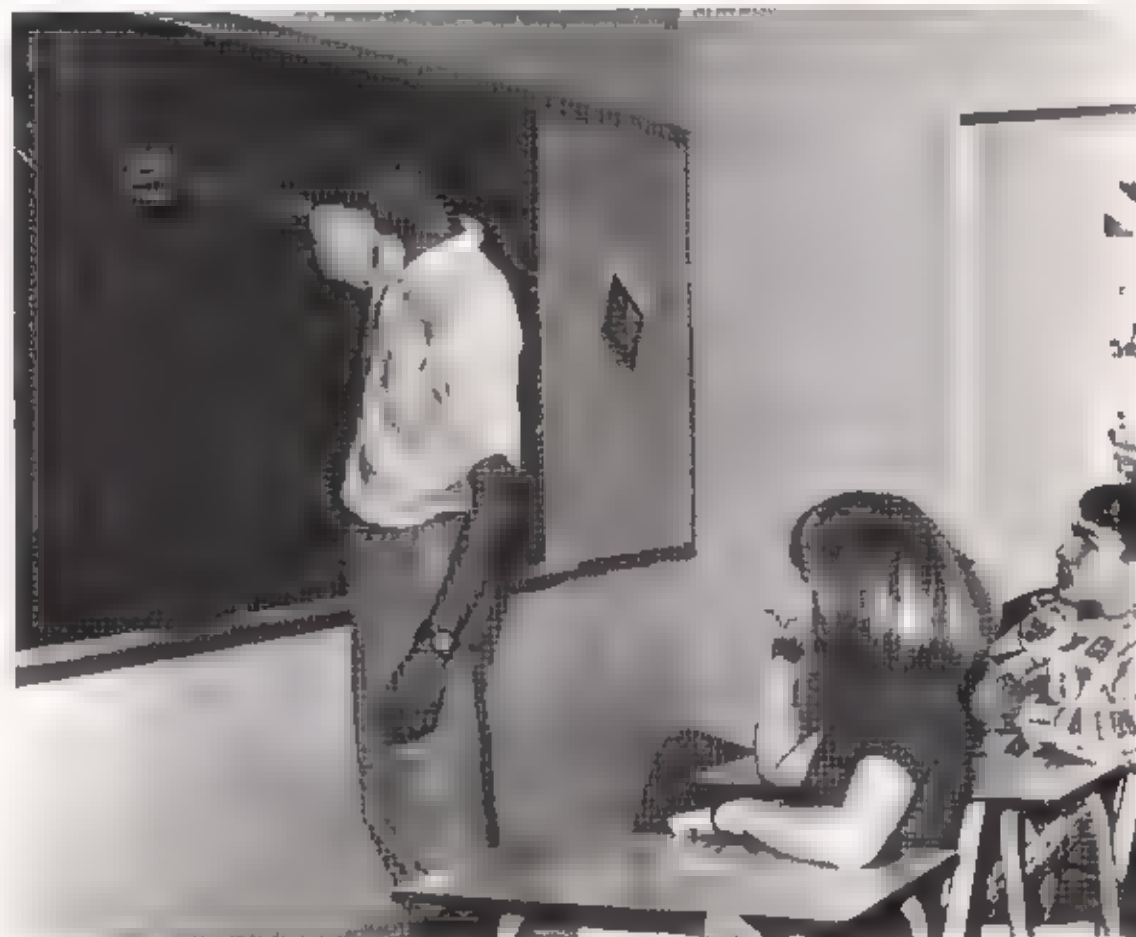
Keeping one of the "Three R's"—'rithmetic," the Math Department delved deeper into areas of algebra, geometry, and trigonometry than our forefathers ever dreamed.

Algebra students studied simple problems to difficult equations. The second-year algebra students learned the operation of the slide rule.

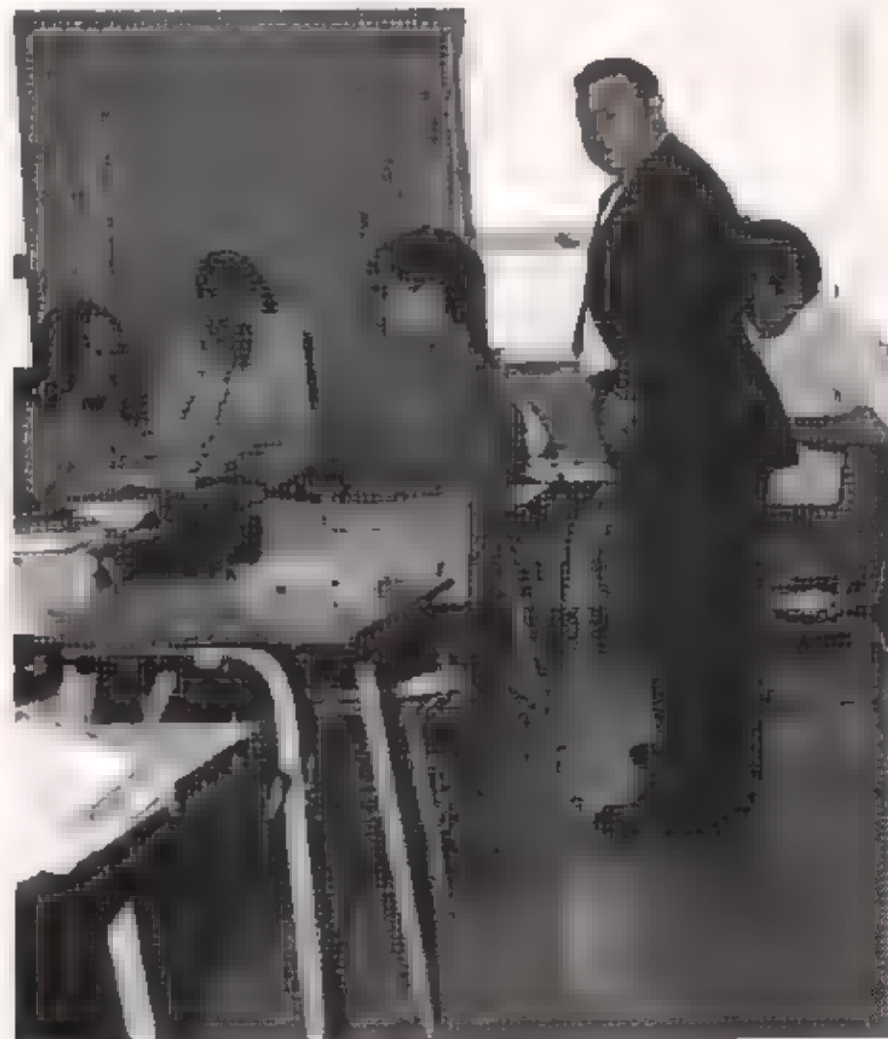
Using their imagination a little, geometry students were involved in proving theories and proofs with geometric figures.

Students having difficulty with Math, enrolled in General Math. Here, the basic mathematical rules were taught.

The Senior Math class studied a variety of things from Algebra and Coordinates to probability and determinates.



Gary Walton evaluates a determinant.



Senior math students hold a mass "work-in". What's so funny, Mr. Dietsch?

Trying to make equations with the numbers available before their time is up, mathematical-minded students play "Tuf."



# Business students plan for "Business World"



With the area of technology steadily increasing, more business students are essential to fill the newly developed jobs.

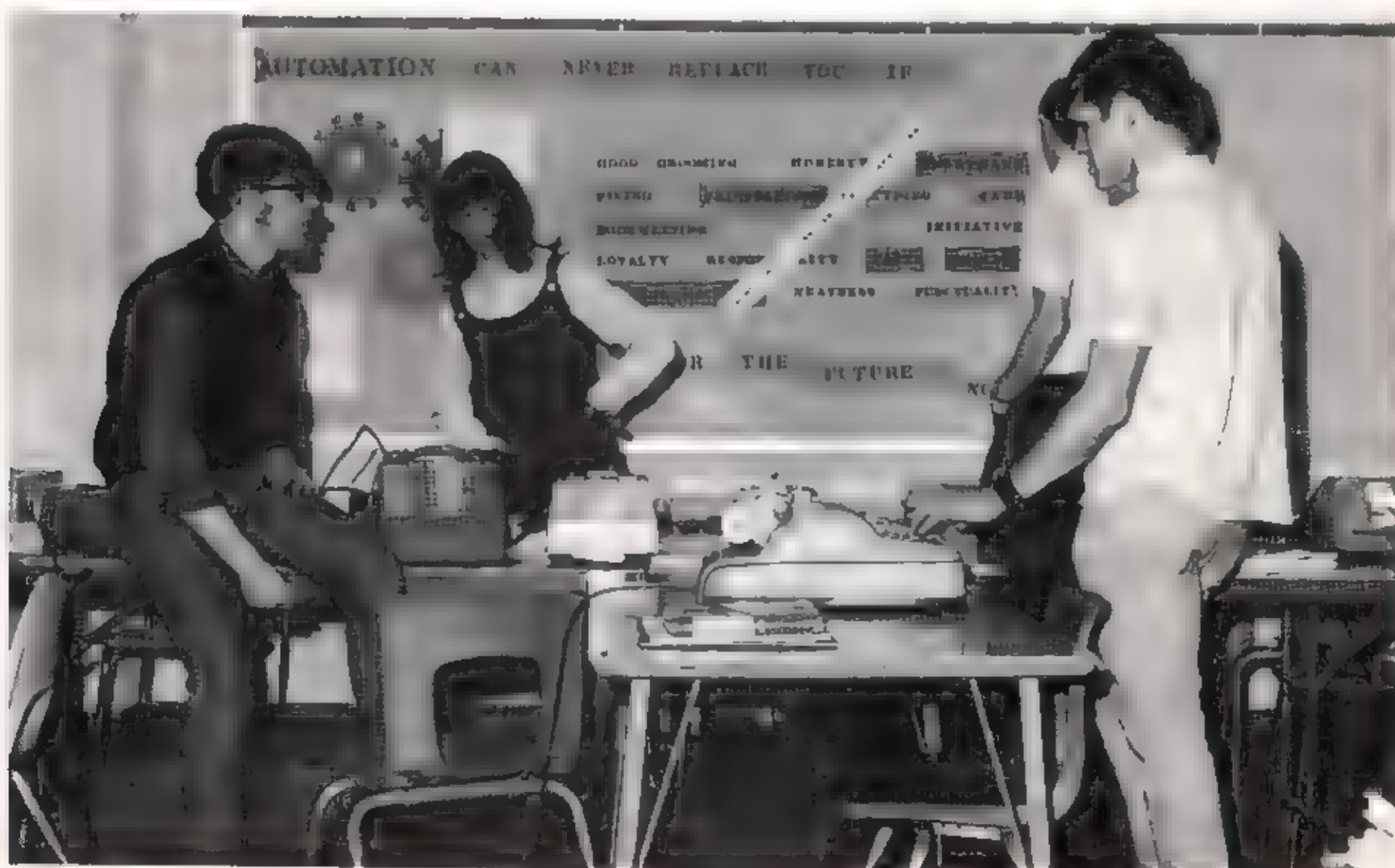
Prairie Heights has a well-organized Business Department which prepares many students for the "Business World."

Brimming over with the latest equipment in the business rooms, business students are able to learn how to operate machines they might operate in the future.

After a semester of practice, business students work on "Practice Sets" which contain realistic exercises. These jobs prepare the student for the type of work which they would encounter if they worked in an office.

Connie Langley stops typing momentarily to see if that word is spelled with one or two l's.

Seniors in Office Machines Class put off doing their assignments.



# Senior girls experiment with foreign foods

Future Homemakers receive a thorough education under the Home Economics Department. In four years of high school Home Ec., a girl receives detailed instruction on housing and home furnishing, clothing and textiles, food and nutrition, and marriage and child development.

Home Ec. girls advance in sewing from simple cotton blouses to complicated woolen suits. In their Junior year, they design their "Dream House." Students gain cooking experiences in modern, efficient kitchens, after they have mastered nutrition laws.

The Home Ec. Department offers a wide range of study that will be a tremendous help to girls in establishing their own homes and in preparing them for family problems that will certainly arise.

Dee Sellers, is certainly enjoying this foreign foods dish. Wonder what is in it; or should we ask?



Cheers! Wonder what these senior girls are drinking? It sure turns on the smiles!





# Taxidermy—new course in department



Prairie Heights certainly has an Agricultural Department that it can be proud of. Our Ag. Department is one of the best in the state and it has also received national recognition.

This year some new and very interesting courses were offered by the Ag. Department. These were wildlife conservation, taxidermy (the stuffing of animals), and habitat study projects. The school farm gives the Ag. boys excellent opportunities for carrying out these studies. By doing the numerous tasks required for the farm, Ag. boys are able to gain valuable experiences that a textbook could never teach them.

Thanks to the hard-working members of the Ag. Department, our school can boast a picturesque nature trail, and an unusual school farm, which both contribute greatly to the educational ability of PHHS.

The Agriculture Department, being quite active, displayed their "Panther Power Is Our Pride" float at Homecoming

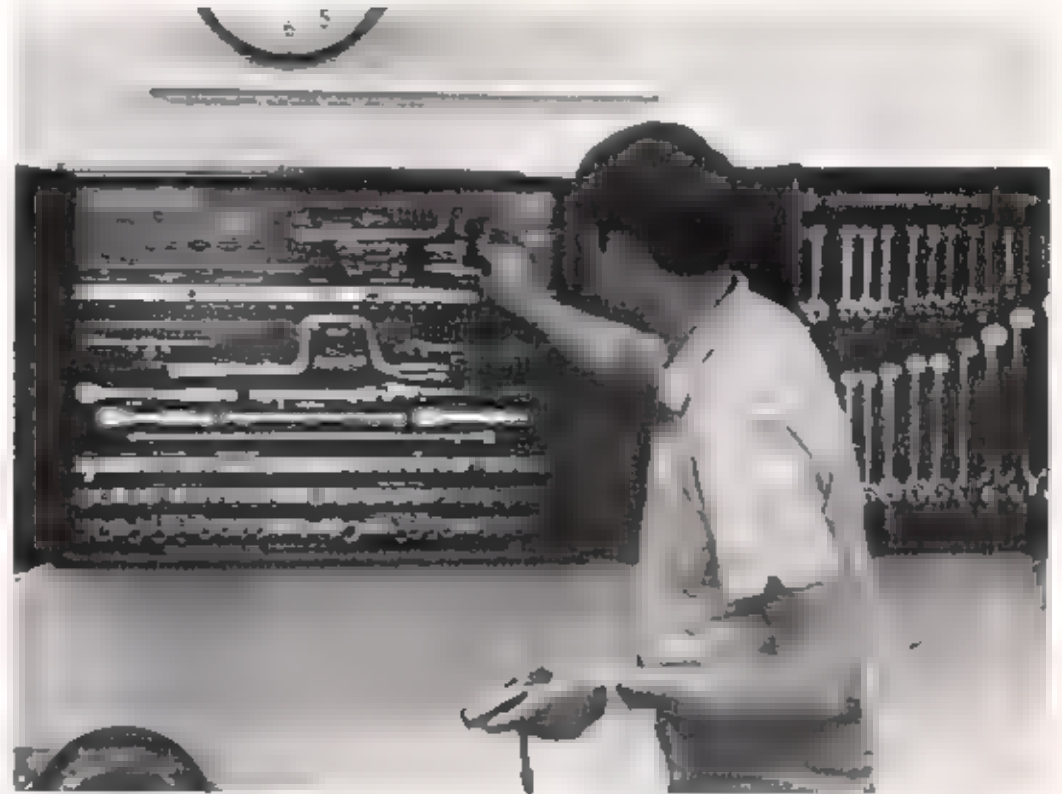
Lonnie Messer, James Cowley, Brian Milleman, study for an upcoming test.



# Industrial Arts learning by doing

Industrial Arts classes are offered to both boys and girls. It enables students to participate in many different and varied aspects of this course. Drafting, architectural drawing, engineering, printing, woodworking and auto mechanics offer an exciting choice to students wishing to advance in this area. Through their own effort they constructed many useful objects such as magazine stands and lamps, as well as printed programs and pamphlets for school projects.

At the Tri-State drafting contest Prairie Heights was very proud to place Scott Reese (1st), Patty Richards (3rd), and Alan Miller (5th) as top participants.



Randy Nelson selects his tools from the tool cabinet in the Industrial Arts Room.



Squaring up a stock lumber for a pool table is a project of Richard Pusti.



Dave James cuts out a design on the band saw.



# P.E. lets students get away from the ole books



Physical Education gives students an opportunity to get away from the ole books and enjoy themselves by participating in various sports. Such sports as soccer, volleyball, track, softball, tennis, dodgeball, and basketball are just as few in which the students participate. Also during the winter, Mr. Click and Miss Davis combined their classes for square dance lessons.

The major department activity was a gym show in April. There, various students demonstrated their gymnastic talents, which requires skill, exact timing, and many, many hours of practice.

Showing much skill and practice, Birdenna Smallwood demonstrates a swim rest on the uneven parallel bars.

Sophomore girls show off their talent by demonstrating the "Hawaiian jump rope," which requires exact timing.



Sophomore boys get their exercise by playing soccer in P.E. class.



*What's it all about . . .*





# ORGANIZATIONS



Special abilities, special ideas. A chance to contribute, to be yourself

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Clubs and activities give each person an opportunity to express himself and excel in a field which he enjoys. In this way one can learn about many varied subjects at a deeper level and add tremendously to the degree of education gained at school.

Organizations also help prepare students for entering the outside world. One learns the importance of leadership as well as service, the value of accepting another's ideas as well as creating your own, and the true meaning of character and friendship.

# Induction casts spell over observers

Soft, flickering candlelight cast melting shadows through the room as hushed squeals of excitement greeted the new National Honor Society members. The theme "Pathways to Peace" seemed an appropriate setting for the traditional initiation ceremony. Now, more than ever before, the world needs "old fashioned" qualities such as "Leadership, Character, Scholarship, and Service" to carry our modern world through a time of crisis.

Dixie Carpenter receives her candle from Charlene Gillen and becomes a member of the National Honor Society.



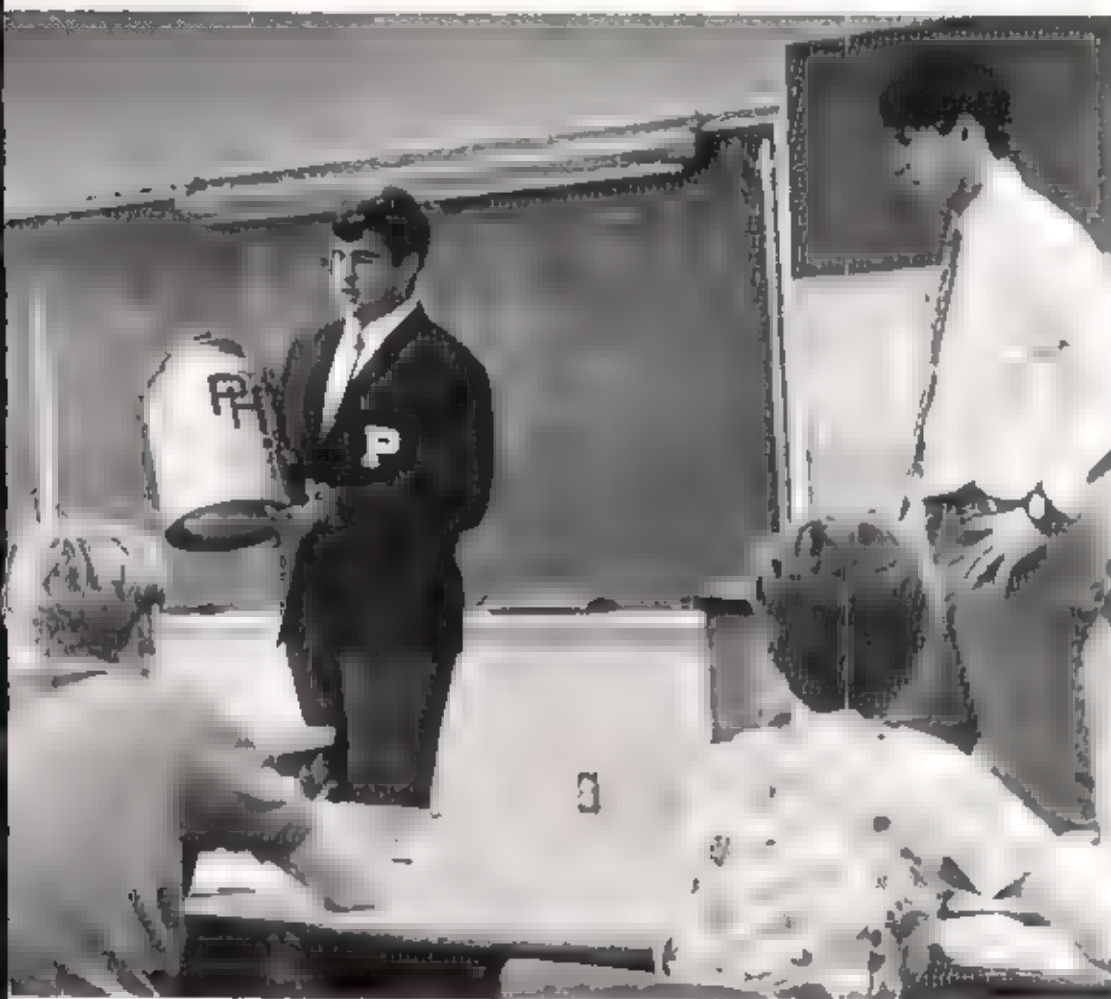
National Honor Society New Members. *FRONT ROW*. D. Sellers, N. Rhoades, D. Norton, S. Hughes, J. Graham, M. Faust, D. Carpenter, D. Brock *2nd ROW*: V. Bryant, M. Cline, B. Fifer, C. Hicks, C. Kurtz, R. Perkins, S. Riegel, C. Shipe *BACK ROW*. Sponsors; Mr. Roush, Mrs. Meyers, Mrs. Miller.

National Honor Society Old Members *FRONT ROW*: D. Langley, L. Krebs, B. Hunter, M. Howe, L. Henderson, C. Gillen, D. Faust, P. DeLancey. *BACK ROW*: D. Weiss, D. Tracey, R. Taylor, B. Shultz, J. Shire, S. Reese, B. Lusk.





# Cream can is student council's major project



Student Council President Blake Shultz and Vice President Gary Walton show Junior High students the Traveling Trophy and explain the idea of making it a tradition in future years. This cream can

created much spirit between the two rivaling schools, Prairie Heights and Lakeland, and promises to be an exciting traditional event.

History and a new tradition were established with the help of the Student Council and Mr. Shirar, when our council met with the Lakeland Student Council and created a traveling trophy, a milk can. The winner of the Prairie Heights—Lakeland football game keeps the milk can for a year or until the other school wins the trophy.

The Voice of the Student Body considered many important issues. One of the most important was a flag to be placed on the football field and dedicated to Prairie Heights graduates who lost their lives in Viet Nam.

The football season found Student Council members along with National Honor Society members, shivering in the cold weather as they dutifully served cokes, coffee, and hot dogs to freezing fans.

St Council *FRONT ROW:* D. Tracey, V. Bryant, J. Keyes (Sec.), R. Glasgow, P. Walton, J. Straw *ROW 2* A. Knisely (Treas.), D. Booth, T. Keyes, C. Loucks, C. Beer, J. Van Wagner, B. Shultz (Pres.), G. Walton (V. Pres.). *BACK ROW:* Mr. Foltz, Mr. Rubley (Sponsors), C. Hicks, D. Cox, B. Jones, S. Reese, K. Frey, L. Diehl, D. Langley, B. Eberhard, R. Tracey, J. Shire.



# Yearbook—hard work, but rewarding

"Deadline coming up! We gotta beat that deadline!" could be heard constantly around the Galaxy office. Working diligently for a yearbook to surpass last years', Editor Bonita Hunter, and Advisor Mr. Jones, and the rest of the staff put in tedious hours of brain-racking work.

Finally, when the last layouts had been drawn, the last copy written, and the final proofs checked, exhausted sighs and tired grinning faces could be witnessed. The deadline worries for the '70 Galaxy staff were finally over. Nevertheless, when the countless hours were over, the staff was a little sad to see it end.

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| Editor           | Bonita Hunter                               |
| Asst. Editor     | Richard Taylor                              |
| Business Manager | Deb West                                    |
| Copy Editors     | Diana Brock<br>Connie Hicks                 |
| Sports Editors   | Ronnie Evans<br>Pauline Conley              |
| Photographers    | Scott Reed<br>Blake Shultz<br>Sutula Studio |
| Organizations    | Grady Nelson                                |
| Typists          | Vickie Krieger<br>Dareen Norton             |

On the nerve-racking day of taking organization pictures, Editor Bonita Hunter and Advisor Mr. Jones confer on which pictures have been taken.



YEARBOOK STAFF. FRONT ROW: D. Weiss, D. Brock, V. Krieger. ROW 2: M. Howe, C. Smith, L. Stalf. ROW 3: S. Riegel, L. Krebs, B. Eberhard, P. Conley, C. Hicks, R. Perkins, R. Evans, D. Norton. BACK ROW: Mr. Jones (Sponsor), D. Tracey, M. Cline, R. Glasgow, C. Koehler, B. Hunter, (Ed-in-Chief), S. Reese, R. Taylor (Asst. Ed.), B. Shultz.

Connie Hicks concentrates on autographing one of the newly distributed yearbooks at the traditional yearbook dance.





# Imagination; creativity produce Quidnunc



Quidnunc Staff. **FRONT ROW:** G. Hall, J. Grabill, D. Penrod, S. Deetz, Mrs. Scoville (Sponsor). **ROW 2:** M. Carpenter, C. Smith (Art Ed.), C. Hicks, P. Conley, **BACK ROW:** J. Shire (Ed), B. Hamman (Assist. Ed), S. Warring, B. Lusk, M. Mishler, B. Holiday, B. James.

Planning the layout is one of the many tasks involved in the publication of Quidnunc. Editor Janice Shire and

staff member Becky Lusk, are busily employed in the time-consuming task of organizing and fitting material.

This magazine gives students a chance to express themselves in their own way, to make themselves heard in a world that sometimes refuses to listen. In this hectic world with its dizzying pace, a younger person often feels neglected because he isn't given a chance to help or show that he cares. Quidnunc gives us this chance. Through it, we can communicate with the outside world, and release the pent up ideas and emotions that fill our minds and hearts. At last we can say what we feel, speak our thoughts in the way we please, but more important than the chance to express ourselves is the chance to be heard.

In Quidnunc we have the opportunity of making our world listen to us and the hope that someday somehow they will understand us and accept our ideas.

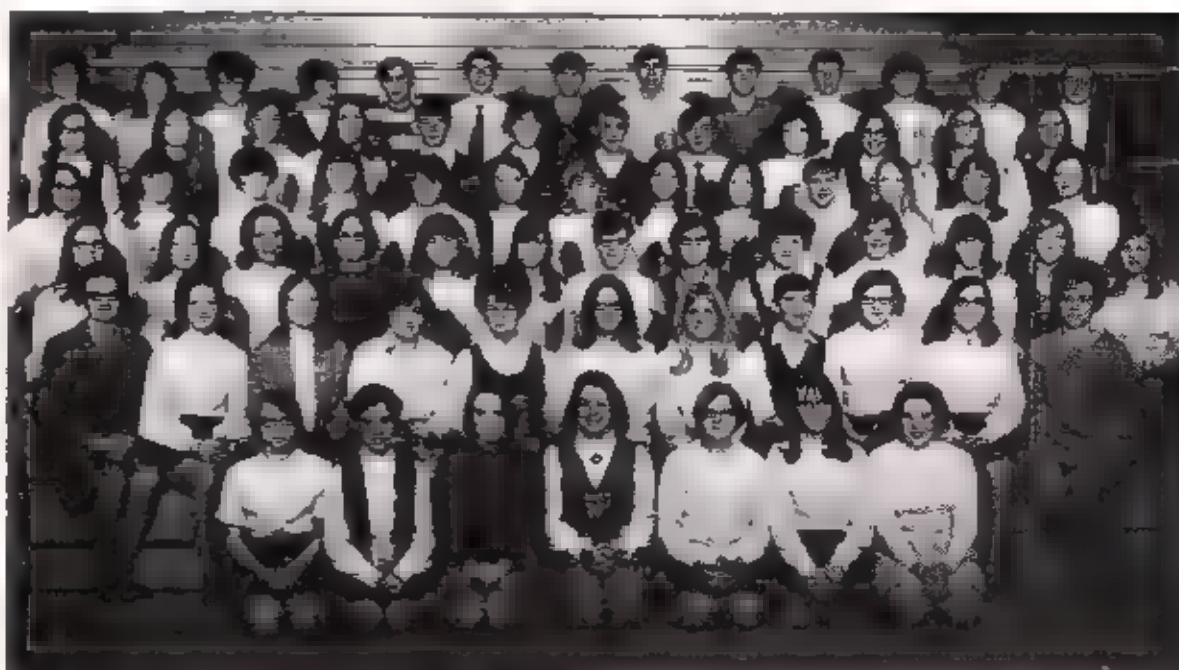


# FTA tours three colleges

To any student interested in the educational field, the Future Teachers of America is an enormous help.

In FTA, students assist teachers, and gain experience in the teaching field.

Prairie Heights has had a very large and active FTA this year. This eager group visited a total of three colleges—St. Francis, Adrian College, and Ball State University. FTA members learned many interesting and helpful facts about their college and teaching years.



FTA. FRONT ROW: C. Freed, D. Hall, C. Werner, S. Spade, M. Howe, N. Rhoades, L. Smith ROW 2: Miss Davis (Sponsor), T. Keyes, S. Hughes, M. Welker, D. Weiss, C. Allen, B. Jones (V-Pres.), B. Davis, K. Sobasky, M. Faust, Miss Bomberger (Sponsor). ROW 3: V. Stauffer, C. Sobasky (Treas.), K. Streb, M. Shank, K. Stapleton, L. Shaffer, J. McQuown (Sec.). ROW 4: V. Bontrager, D. Brock, C. Rettinger, K. Conner, T. Hoyer, M. Day, M. Carpenter, P. Hill, D. Merriman, K. Kellett, C. Bolen, J. Grabill, P. DeLancey. ROW 5: K. Everidge, D. German, K. Fourman, D. Carpenter, J. Graham, S. Warring, G. German, A. Knise-ly, M. Mishler, L. Krebs, M. Cline, B. Hamman. BACK ROW: B. Lusk, L. Lash, L. Henderson, R. Glasgow, D. Tropp (Pres.), R. Perkins, D. Wilder, J. Straw, J. Ellesworth, L. Diehl, D. Lewis, A. Kuchenbecker, R. Taylor.



Jim Ellsworth and Dawn Merriman have made themselves at home in a room of the quaint library at St. Francis. They couldn't be studying, Dawn looks too happy and Jim too sneaky!

This FTA girl is fascinated by the unusual art work of the St. Francis library.



# "Panther tales" is big success

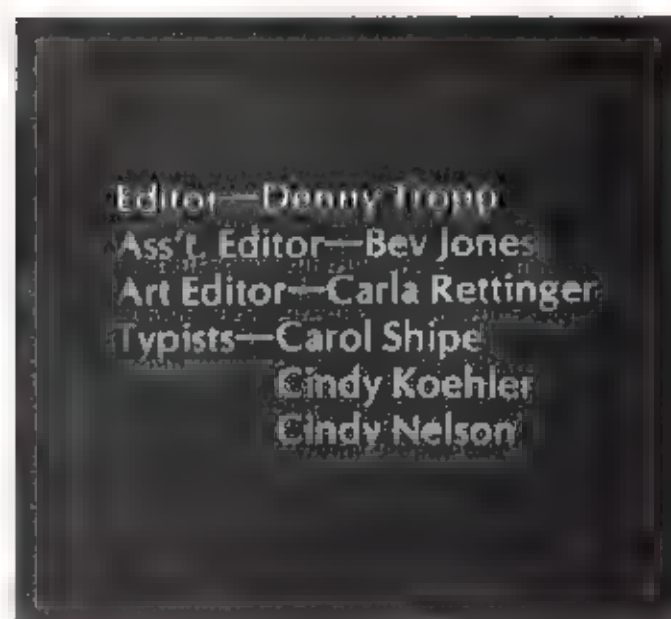


NEWSPAPER. FRONT ROW: R. Evans, D. Butler. ROW 2: P. Conley, C. Shipe, C. Koehler, D. Merriman, D. Tropp (Ed.), T. Green, S. Thomas, P. DeLancey. ROW 3: Mr. Roush (Sponsor), B. Jones (Asst. Ed.), J. McKown, J. Wren. ROW 4: T. Hoyer, K. Conner, J. Graham. ROW 5: D. Levitz, R. Gordon, C. Rettinger, L. Diehl.

Trying to start the school newspaper again was not an easy task. Despite drawbacks, the revised newspaper was a success thanks to Sponsor Mr. Shepherd's and Editor Denny Tropp's perseverance.

Starting the year in debt, "Panther Tales" created an overwhelming demand, so that by second semester it was out of debt and making a profit.

The "Panther Tales" was issued bi-monthly to a demanding student body.



Newspaper staff members, Denny Tropp, Debbie Merriman, Doug Butler, and Ronnie Evans discuss topics for future editorials.

# Science; challenge of the future

Always requiring more research, science offers a broad realm of choice. With new discoveries being revealed in fields of science every day, students are urged to go into this area of study. The Science Club introduced various areas of science to interested students. They were then able to investigate fields which they might later study in college. One of these areas was Oceanography, the science of ocean phenomena. Another interesting area they investigated was microminiaturization, the process of reducing objects in size.

In the comfort of the planetarium chairs, science club members discuss possible laboratories they might visit in the near future.



Science Club. *FRONT ROW* Mr. Dietch (Sponsor), R. Perkins, S. Reese, E. Gordon, L. Diehl (Treas.) *ROW 2.* R. Evans (Pres.), J. Diehl, F. Stayner. *BACK ROW:* B. Shultz, P. DeLancey, D. Penrod, J. Shire (V-Pres.), K. Keyes, D. Merriman (Sec.).





# French and Spanish merge to organize club



Last year's French Club was changed to the Foreign Language Club, when Spanish was again offered. One month the meeting was devoted to Spanish culture and the next month's meeting was conducted in French culture. By doing this, both French and Spanish students were able to learn both country's cultures.

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE CLUB. FRONT ROW:** N. Rhoades, V. Stauffer, R. Gordon (Treas.), S. Bowman. **ROW 2:** C. Sobasky, K. Stapleton, Diane Brock, K. Streb, Debbie Brock, S. Hughes. **ROW 3:** M. Carpenter, A. Miller, K. Keyes, G. Silvers, L. Krebs, P. DeLancey, (Sec.), J. Graham (Pres.). **BACK ROW:** S. Warring, L. Diehl, A. Weaver, M. Conley, J. Fuller, B. Eberhard, R. Watkins.

# Jr. high student council prepares for high school clubs



**JR. HIGH ST. COUNCIL. FRONT ROW:** T. Green, S. Pettyjohn, K. Lower, D. Boocher, M. Beer. **ROW 2:** B. Milleman, J. Shire, S. Straw, P. Robinson, A. Friend, P. Boyer. **BACK ROW:** Mr. Grabill (Sponsor), D. Halsey, J. Hall, K. Tubbs, C. Spillner, R. Taylor.

Student Council was a new experience for the Jr. High, but they plunged into it diligently and with zest.

In Jr. High Student Council, members learned basically what the council is for and how it is operated. They became acquainted with the proper method for conducting meetings.

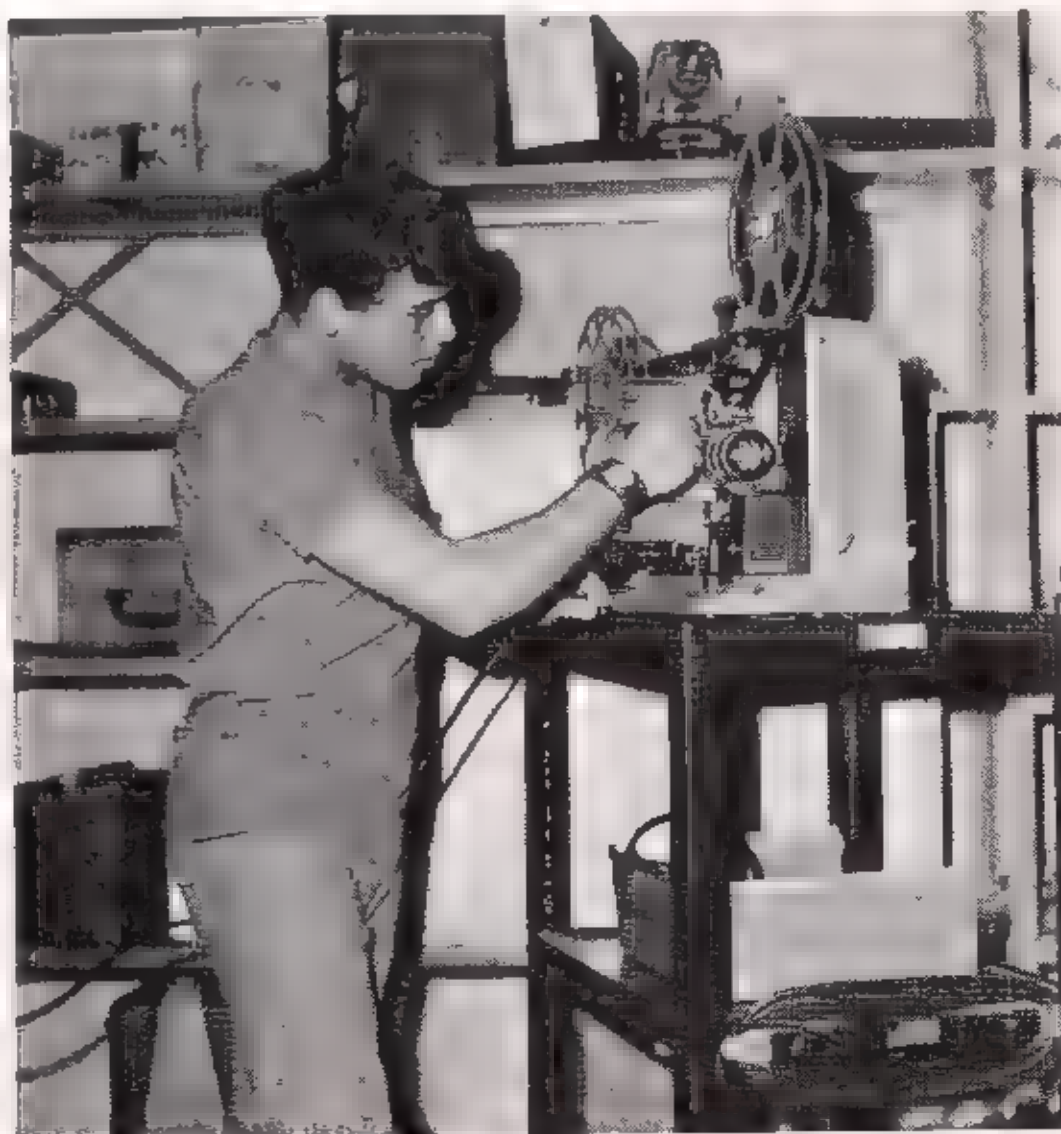
The experience they gained from their student council, will be valuable to the Jr. High in their high school years.

# Av club provides useful services

Seeing a multitude of projectors going different directions between classes is nothing unusual in the halls of PHHS. Their depot is a small room beside the library. There, every imaginable visual aid instrument is available for consumption: tapes, projectors, filmstrips, records, recorders, and films. Always ready to serve the faculty of PHHS to the best of its capacity.

As a member of the AV Club, students have various duties to perform. They learn how to run and care for the equipment, show films for the faculty, besides giving up their study halls to be "on call" for any last minute decision to show a film.

AV members serve the faculty efficiently by keeping the equipment in top shape as well as assisting in filing films and showing the films to different classes. DeWayne Thrush threads a film through a projector to view it before the class showing.

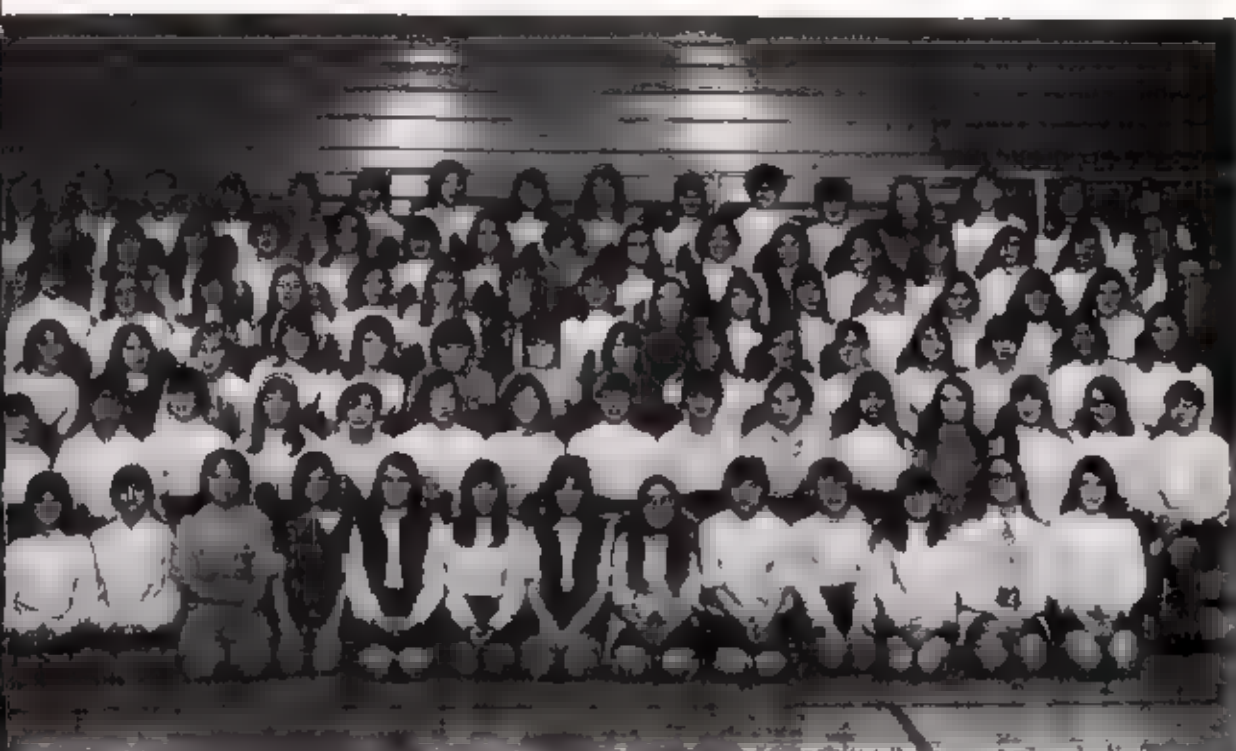


A-V Club **FRONT ROW:** D. Penrod, L. Hicks, B. Holiday, L. Staff, M. Smallwood. **ROW 2** R. Jaquay, A. Miller, D. Simon, R. Watkins, C. Nelson (Sec.), D. Brock. **ROW 3:** B. White, D. Staff, S. Deetz, D. Prough, M. Shaffer (Treas.), S. Hall, K. Sanders. **ROW 4:** James, L. Gibson, N. Smith, S. Schmitz, D. Beard, E. Gordon, Mr. Helper (Sponsor). **BACK ROW:** J. Mills, B. Rhinesmith, D. Rhinesmith, M. Watkins (V. Pres.), R. Nelson, R. Perkins (Pres.), D. Perkins.





# Jr. high GAA meets in gym during homeroom



Organizing clubs for the Jr. High is a new experience for PHHS. The purpose of such clubs is to prepare the Jr. High for high school clubs and most of all, teach them good sportsmanship.

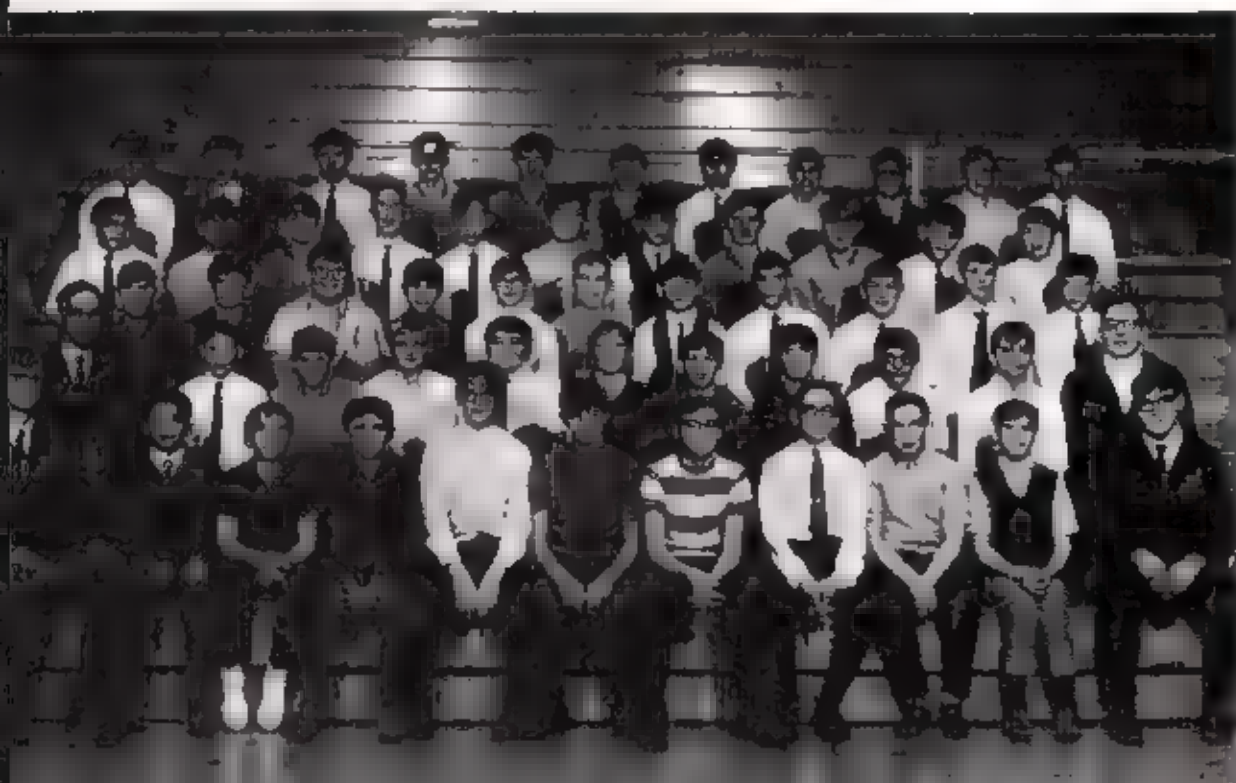
Every Tuesday during homeroom, the Jr. High gals stampeded to the locker room to change clothes. After getting the mix up of clothes straightened out, the girls went to the gym. There, they participated in various sports—dodgeball, tumbling, indoor softball, volleyball—having loads of fun and learning true sportsmanship.

Although the Jr. High club was conducted similar to the Sr. High, recognition was awarded according to attendance.

JR. HIGH GAA. FRONT ROW. B. Hayward, C. Miller, T. Randol, T. Frick, D. Phares, K. Bellinger, K. Graham, K. Coker, B. Wortham, J. Ness, B. Charels, J. Gallaway, T. Smith. ROW 2: R. Mendenhall, R. Halsey, D. Rigg, C. Haag, B. Milleman, B. Hodge, L. Harr, B. Leiter, P. Tracey, K. Shane, D. Anderson, D. Brewster, C. Northup, S. Becker, R. Gibson. ROW 3: D. German, J. Conley, S. Mullins, P. DeLancey, S. Mendenhall, E. Willms, D. Parker, R. Stewart, C. Snyder, L. Davis, D. Gaetz, D. Rhoades, L. Parker, T. Lepley, L. Rigg (St. Sponsor). ROW 4: C. Holiday, R. McQuown, C. Keyes, J. Taylor, D. Kressley, L. Munger, D. Perkins, T. Clay, K. Prough, J. Lee, J. Shire, T. Boots, C. Levitz, C. Goppinger, K. Sobasky, Miss Davis (Sponsor). ROW 5: A. Miller, E. Middleton, K. Click, P. Werner, M. Grabill, A. Barto, R. Brown, S. Straw, P. Blackburn, L. Freshe, T. Summers, M. Beer, S. McKown, C. Beiswanger, S. Mast, R. Riegel. BACK ROW: D. Elliott, G. Stayner, B. Gerbers, A. Sellers, B. Gantt, D. Rhinesmith, C. Pocock, P. Ernsberger, L. Griffin, D. Boochee, K. Lower, P. Watson, L. Armstrong, S. Mielke, V. Wooster, D. Clark.

## Jr. FFA rarity in state

JR. HIGH FFA. FRONT ROW: A. Pfalman (St. Sponsor), J. German, R. Collins, R. Baad, M. Hayward, W. Wells, R. Stauffer, J. Gallaway, R. Freeman, P. Boyer, D. Beard. ROW 2: Mr. Hefty (Sponsor), D. Army, C. Bontrager, W. Haag, E. Mynhier, N. Reading, R. Crawford, M. Shepard, S. Sanders, E. Handshoe, R. Taylor (St. Sponsor). ROW 3: C. Hicks, G. Spencer, P. Miller, D. Kimpel, S. Eberhard, J. Rodgers, S. Fuller, K. Hoyer, M. Holden, M. German, R. Cline. ROW 4: L. Young, S. Watson, R. Bolen, E. Tilbury, G. Glenger, B. Conley, A. Graham, G. Mast, K. Burtch, G. Ramey, J. Watkins. ROW 5: K. Tubbs, B. Booth, C. Spillner, R. Goudy, L. Wooster, M. Freed, R. Taylor, J. Owsley, D. Tubbs, H. Myers, J. Hall.



Being one of the only two such organizations in the state, the Jr. Future Farmers of America is the newest club addition to Prairie Heights. The club just originated this year is affiliated with the high school organization of FFA.

Earnestly selling rat bait to improve the nature trail was the club's major project. The boys also worked with the high school on improving the school farm.

With Prairie Height's previous FFA record of excellence, these Jr. High boys in the blue have a great ahead.



# Library: peaceful, quiet, away from it all

Although the library is essential for references and has valuable material for studying, it can be a place of contentment also—a place which is away from the outside world and its problems. There, a student can relax and browse through magazines or just enjoy being alone. A student can sit contentedly and think about his problems in a tranquil atmosphere. It's nice to know that there is a peaceful, quiet place, even in the middle of a busy school day.

The librarian and student librarians added immensely to this tranquil atmosphere by keeping order. Checking out and filing books, as well as assisting Mrs. Bryan in helping students to find needed material, is another of the librarians' duties.

The duties of a librarian aide vary from shelving books to sorting out cards for over-due books as Keith Chrysler and Marsha Welker are doing.



Lib. Club **FRONT ROW:** Mrs. Bryan (Sponsor), L. Gallaway, K. Miller, P. Hartman, L. Hicks, D. Rhoades, S. Daily, K. German. **ROW 2:** J. Mynhier, M. Pelfrey, Margo Welker, M. Howe (Sec.), L. Rigg, J. Hayward, P. Gunning, R. Pike, D. Hall. **ROW 3:** D. Penrod, K. Boyer, V. Krieger, C. Shipe, Marla Welker, M. Kellett, P. Delancey, C. Pike. **BACK ROW:** Marsha Welker, B. Holiday, C. Cattell, K. Fourman, K. Chrysler, B. Lusk (Pres.), R. Watkins, R. Jaquay (V-Pres.), P. Hill.





# Bookstore small but necessary



Bookstore Staff. *FRONT ROW:* L. Rigg, S. Daily, P. Conley, C. Shipe, Mrs. Meyers (Sponsor) *ROW 2:* C. Kurtz, S. Reed, J. Pike. *BACK ROW:* N. Rhoades, D. Brock, M. Faust.

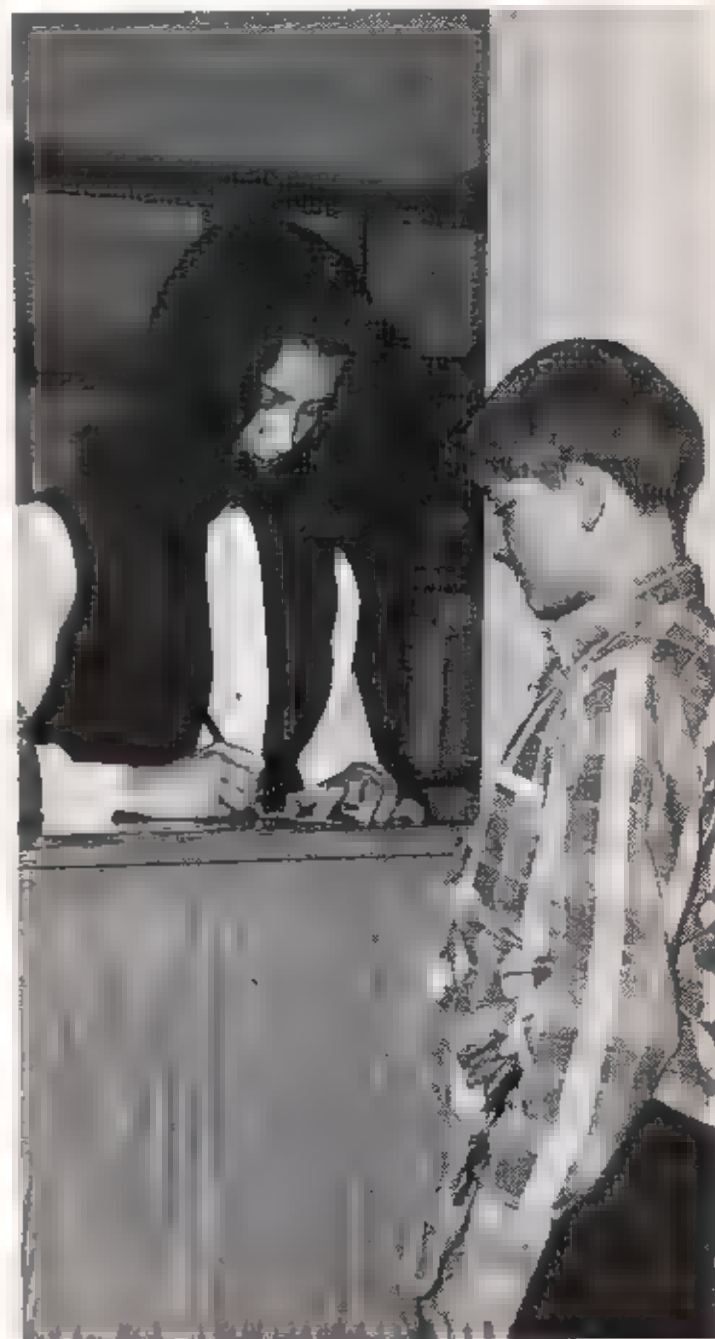
Nestled in a corner of our school building is a tiny room familiar to students and faculty. A common question for study hall monitors is, "May I have a pass to the bookstore?"

Here it's possible for students to purchase necessary school supplies, paperback novels, or perhaps even find that lost math book. It's also fun to visit with the bookstore workers, who make it possible for the bookstore to be an efficient and worthwhile part of our school. Just make sure a passing teacher doesn't catch you loitering for too long and turn your name in to the studyhall monitor.



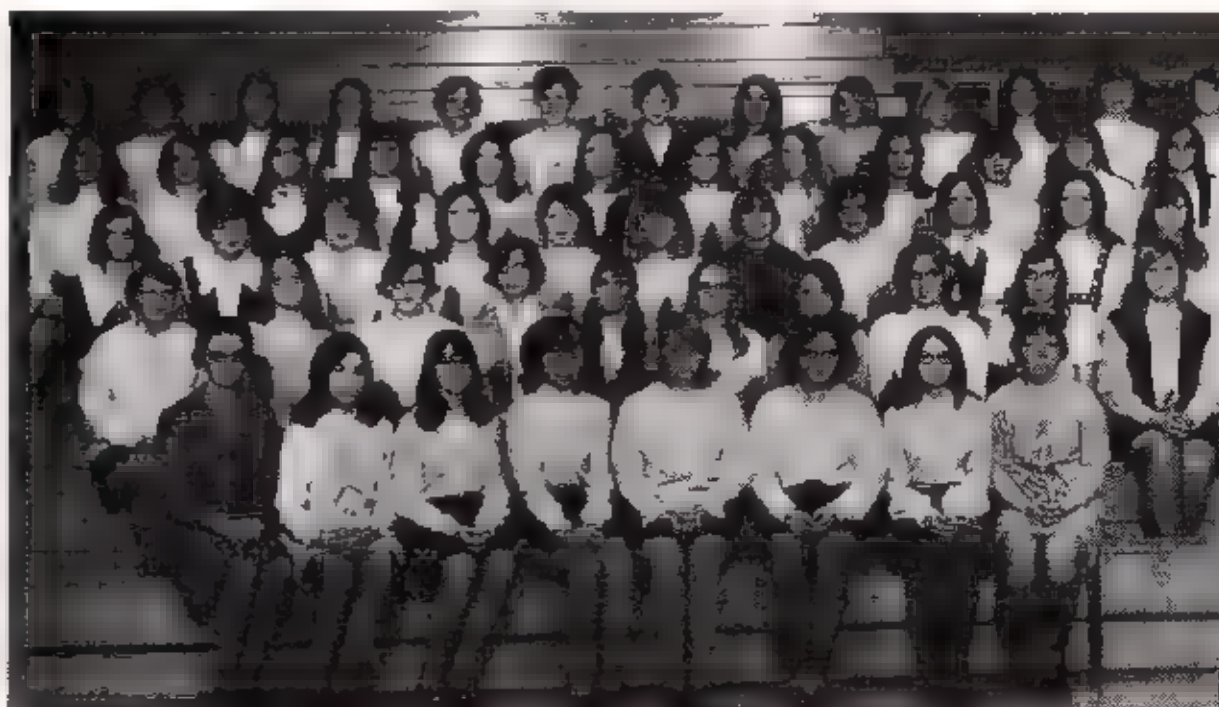
Jamee Pike works during her free time at the bookstore. Among her responsibilities are shelving and stocking supplies.

Linda Rigg signs a student's pass during homeroom, the most frequent task for bookstore workers.



# GAA gals participate in various sports

A wild shriek pierced the air. "I got a strike," exclaimed an ecstatic girl. This is a familiar sound heard when the GAA girls go bowling. Bowling is only one of the active sports that GAA provides for "on the go girls." They also engage in such sports as golfing, square dancing, volleyball, basketball, tumbling, softball, and dodge-ball. GAA girls have discovered that strenuous physical sports can be lots of fun. These sports help to build girls emotionally as well as physically by teaching them sportsmanship and co-operation, plus respect for others.



GAA FRONT ROW: Miss Davis (Sponsor), S. Barrquillio, N. Rhoades, R. Brown, J. Willms, J. Myhnier, M. Coney, J. Rodgers. ROW 2: K. Hart, S. Ernsberger, K. Sobasky, D. Tracey, D. Rhoades, V. Stauffer, D. Turner, C. Gillen, C. German, C. Langley. ROW 3: D. Cox, C. Miller, R. Jaquay, J. Pike, R. DeLancey, D. Sellers, P. Crawford, T. Shank, C. Smith, P. Housholder, C. Hicks. ROW 4: J. Van Wagner, M. Day, M. Cline, K. Conner, C. Pike, B. Hamman, K. Everidge, C. Bolen, L. Rigg, D. Spade, J. Hayward, J. Rowe. BACK ROW: J. Shire, R. Watkins, D. Carpenter, P. Walton, A. Kuchenbecker, B. Lusk, S. Warring, D. Friend, M. Showalter, M. Carpenter, P. Hill, C. Shipe, P. Courtney.

## Scream team backs their team all the way

Pep Club. Mascot: T. Sobasky. FRONT ROW: A. Kuchenbecker, W. Van Wagner, C. Smith, J. Pike (sec.), R. Jaquay, C. Kurtz (Pres.), L. Gallaway. ROW 2: D. Fourman, S. Gravit, T. Shank, C. Miller, E. Nesbitt, A. Kurtz, J. Wilms (Treas.). ROW 3: D. Strawser, P. Walton, J. Burch, D. Simon, M. McKown, L. Johnson, J. Sassanella. ROW 4: Marsha Welker, Margo Welker, T. Keyes, D. Levitz, D. Spade, C. Bolen, R. DeLancey, B. Holiday. BACK ROW: C. Hicks, M. Coney, P. Conley, K. Spillner, S. Bowman, J. Shire, C. Gillen, D. Sellers.

Backing their team in zealous victory and defeat was the fervent pep club. Although the pep club wasn't exceptionally large, it made up for a lack in numbers by an increase in volume. The pep club was proud of the fact that there were more seniors enrolled than in any previous year.

At each home game a "Miss Spirit" award was given to the girl who demonstrated the highest degree of school spirit and sportsmanship. This award was a trophy that the winners carried to class until the next home game, when another lucky and deserving girl won the title.





# FHA visits Parkview Nursing School



As a member of the Future Health Careers Club, members devote their spare time to working in the clinic. Jill Wren is checking Mickey Shaffer for a temperature,

just one of the many tasks the members perform, when Mrs. Pierson is visiting the grammar schools.

There is a wide variety of careers in the field of medicine. The Future Health Careers Club is an organization concerned with helping girls to decide if the field of medicine is really for them.

On one of their field trips, the girls traveled to Parkview Nursing School in Fort Wayne. Getting a first-hand look at a nurse's day, the girls toured the school and learned some of the duties and requirements of a nurse.

Club members also gained nursing experience by devoting their study hall periods to working in the clinic. Here they learned the art of taking temperatures, applying band-aides, and keeping order among miraculously recovered students.

FHA. FRONT ROW: C. Gunning, R. Brown, M. Skeels, C. Chamberlain, D. Penrod, Marla Welker, C. Walton. ROW 2: P. Richards, R. Gropp, M. Shaffer, C. Hicks (V-Pres.), P. Conley (Sec.), D. Shumaker, S. Hall (Treas.), R. Pike, K. Fourman. ROW 3: M. Pelfrey, K. Miller, M. Coney, P. Hartman, D. Goldsmith, D. Becker, M. Freed, K. Hart, M. Howe. ROW 4: D. Weiss, C. Bolen, D. Fourman, D. Sunday, M. Todd, S. Luttmann, S. Norman, N. Halsey, B. Snyder. ROW 5: L. Johnson, D. Wilson, C. Garman, J. Parker, J. Shire, M. Day, R. Brown, Margo Welker, S. Gravit, V. Tracey. BACK ROW: J. Sassanella, K. Everidge, D. Strawser, T. Green, B. Darr, D. Nichols, P. Walton, C. Cattell, P. Hill.



# FFA tops in the nation, local scene



FFA. **FRONT ROW:** M. Coney, C. Denton, D. Hartman, D. Hill, J. German. **ROW 2:** C. Paduano, N. Lash, R. Van Wagner, L. Begely, N. Smith, M. Stayner, R. Holiday, J. Diehl, E. Freed, G. Penrod, B. Milleman. **ROW 3:** Mr. Grubaugh (Sponsor), R. Northup, D. Prough, K. Shumaker, L. Freed, L. Beiswanger, B. Foltz, D. Elliott, G. DeGraw, B. Davis, H. Meyers. **ROW 4:** Mr. Hefty (Sponsor), J. Goudy, D. Beiswanger (Treas.), K. Frey, M. Tullis, D. Beard, T. Witham, C. Rude, S. Notestine, T. Burtch, J. Schmidt, J. Cowley. **ROW 5:** R. Taylor (V-Pres.), P. Rasler, S. Shultz, L. Messer, R. Perkins, D. Neely, A. Pfafman (Pres.), S. Perkins, J. Mills, T. Northup (Sec.), C. Rasler. **BACK ROW:** Mr. Stump (Sponsor), M. Smallwood, D. Kuhn, B. Tracey, B. Price, D. Borden, R. Conley, M. Forker, G. Warring, L. Coker.

Through effort of all the members, the Prairie Heights Chapter of Future Farmers of America rose to the top in a mere five years. Their various activities, such as the weather station, farm pond, pole barn, and the whole school farm have earned them the honor of being within the top in the nation on two accounts. As members follow their motto of "Doing to Learn, Learning to Do, Earning to Live, and Living to Serve." It is certain the future looks good for the boys in blue.

Unloading corn Harold Meyers and Randy Van Wagner both believe a little fun makes the work easier.





# Jr. High Band receives high rating at contest



The Jr. High band was composed of a group of very talented students who did their best to make their band such a big success.

A very high rating was received by the Jr. High band at contest, because of their hard work and abundant talent.

Members of Jr. High band can look forward to a shining career when they graduate to high school band. If they work as willingly in high school as they have in Jr. high they will give Prairie Heights an exceptionally fine band.

JR HIGH BAND. FRONT ROW M. Young, M. German, C. Thomas, K. Graham, R. Halsey, C. Wells, J. Taylor, S. McKown, K. Click, R. Riegel ROW 2: D. Kressley, S. Barroquillo, A. Barto, P. Everdige, V. Wooster, S. Mielke, B. Miller, B. Lester, T. Clay, B. Milleman, S. Fuller, R. McQuoun, C. Keyes, P. Werner. ROW 3: B. Hayward, C. Christoffel, R. Yerrington, D. Boochee, R. Collins, D. German, J. Singleton, W. Haag, B. Booth, P. Allen, P. Delancey, M. Grabill, R. Ness, C. Haag, T. Holsinger, C. Holiday, A. Sellers, G. Cienger BACK ROW C. Spillner, J. Bryant, M. Freed, D. Merriman, D. Arney, R. Stevens, E. Handshoe, J. Hall, Mr. Fuller (Sponsor).

## Seventh Grade Choir goes to contest

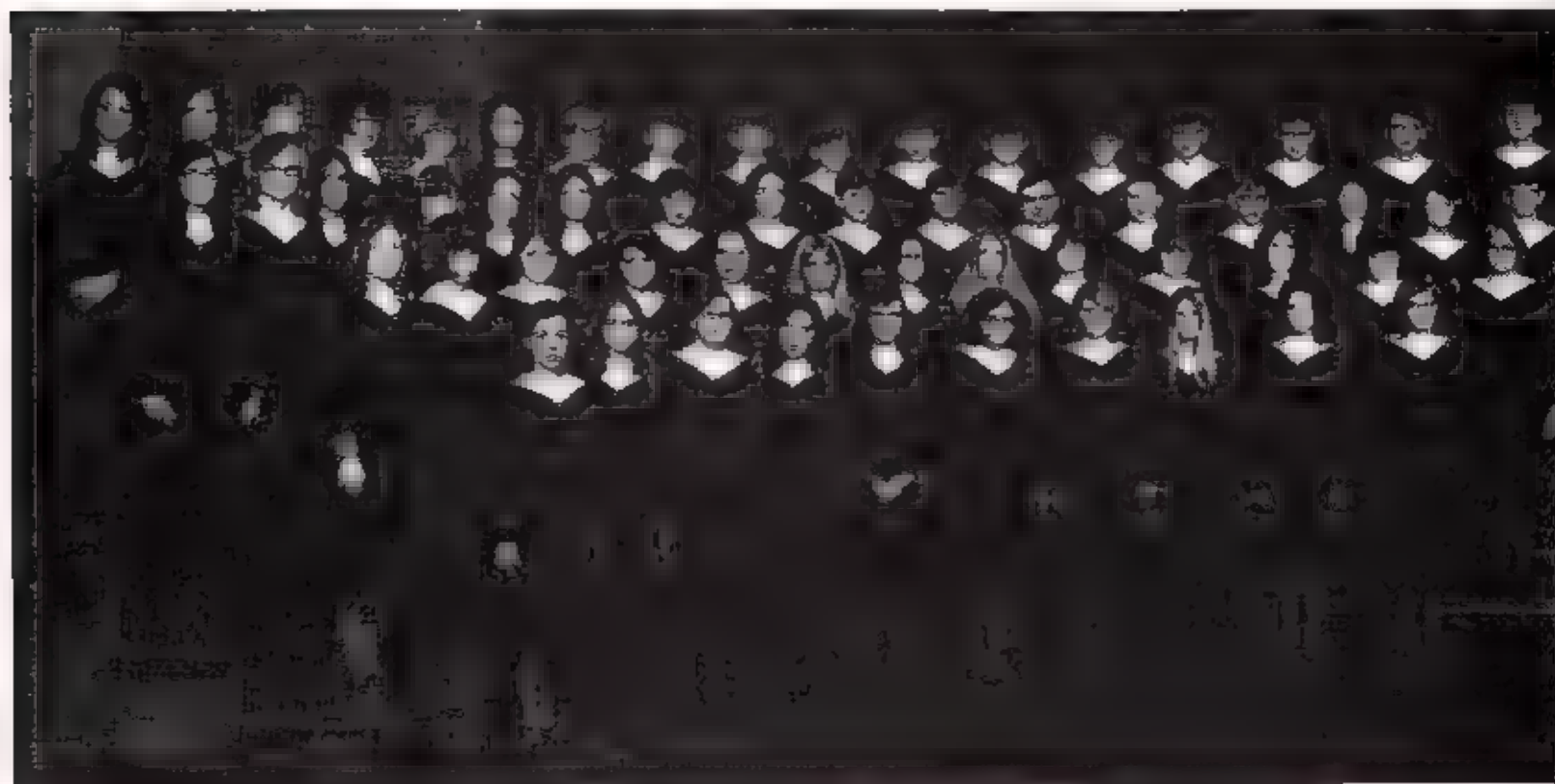


The seventh graders enjoy singing, as their large choir enrollment proves.

At contest the Seventh Grade Choir did fairly well, especially since this was their first year to sing together. They put a lot of effort and practice into their singing, and with experience should prove to be an excellent choir. Most important they derive enjoyment from their participation and they pass this enjoyment on to their audience. People love to listen to them because they put so much of themselves into their singing.

7th GRADE CHORUS. FRONT ROW: K. Graham, K. Bellinger, B. Hayward, D. Hartman, C. Miller, C. Tracey, D. Terry, R. Mendenhall, K. Miller, B. Wortham, J. Ness. ROW 2: R. Halsey, C. Northup, D. Anderson, D. Pahres, T. Lepiey, R. Gibson, B. Hodge, C. Haag, C. Gappinger, B. Milleman, K. Coker, S. Becker. ROW 3: D. Rigg, D. Rhoades, P. Delancey, C. Snyder, B. Witham, G. Gage, D. Young, D. James, I. Parker, E. Middleton, D. German, S. Mullins. ROW 4: C. Wells, T. Boots, J. Shire, J. Lee, S. McKown, H. Lewis, J. Kiess, T. Summers, R. Jones, P. Blackburn, C. Beiswanger, C. Keyes, C. Levitz. BACK ROW: D. Elliott, C. Thomas, D. Clark, C. Pocock, N. Pfafman, S. Kurtz, J. Courtright, M. Green, D. Hughes, J. Reese, R. Stevens, G. Stayner, V. Wooster, S. Pettyjohn.

# High School Choir largest ever to



CHOIR. FRONT ROW D. Hall, M. Coney, M. Howe, S. Barquillio, K. German, J. Myhnier, J. Wilms, D. Becker, T. Keyes, P. Richards. ROW 2: S. Hughes, N. Halsey, R. DeLancey, V. Tracey, K. Streb, B. Jones, C. Allen, C. Bolen, J. Hayward, S. Luttman, C. Pike, C. Miller, M. Todd. ROW 3: S. Gravit, K. Everdige, S. Norman, C. Hicks, P. Housholder, P. Hill, Lori Krebs, J. Sassenalla, T. Armey, D. Barker, D. Faust, G. Penrod, B. Tracey, W. Van Wagner, K. Clevenger, S. Glasgow. BACK ROW: D. Friend, C. Smith, S. Warring, L. Henderson, M. McKown, L. Loucks, G. Kline, C. Huff, J. Graham, F. Stayner, K. Kellett, J. Fuller, S. Riegel, K. Chrysler, A. Weaver, V. Fretz, M. Watkins.

## Jr. High participates in all the concerts

JR. HIGH CHOIR. FRONT ROW: J. Hollowell, B. Charles, S. Barroquillio, E. Mynhier, T. Langley, Jan Galloway, T. Smith, J. Cowley. ROW 2: D. Armey, R. Cline, P. Tracey, D. Skeels, K. Gochenaur, L. Davis, K. Towers, R. Wilder, L. Harr, N. Ness, S. Sanders. ROW 3: Mr. Fuller (Sponsor), S. Mendenhall, S. Eberhard, C. Holiday, S. Fuller, M. Beer, T. Green, R. Riegel, A. Friend, T. Summers, M. Cox, M. Shipe, Jay Galloway, L. Kocher. ROW 4: D. Kressley, K. Hoyer, M. Holden, M. Grabill, R. Brown, E. Tillbury, B. Gerbers, A. Sellers, S. Mielke, G. Gringer, A. Barto, L. Frehse, M. Hayward, B. Miller. BACK ROW: K. Tubbs, K. Lower, G. Ramey, K. Tullis, W. Chowning, G. Krebs, R. Taylor, R. Yerrington, P. Ernsberger, C. Spillner, A. Graham, D. Boochee, D. Rhinesmith, B. Booth, B. Gantt.

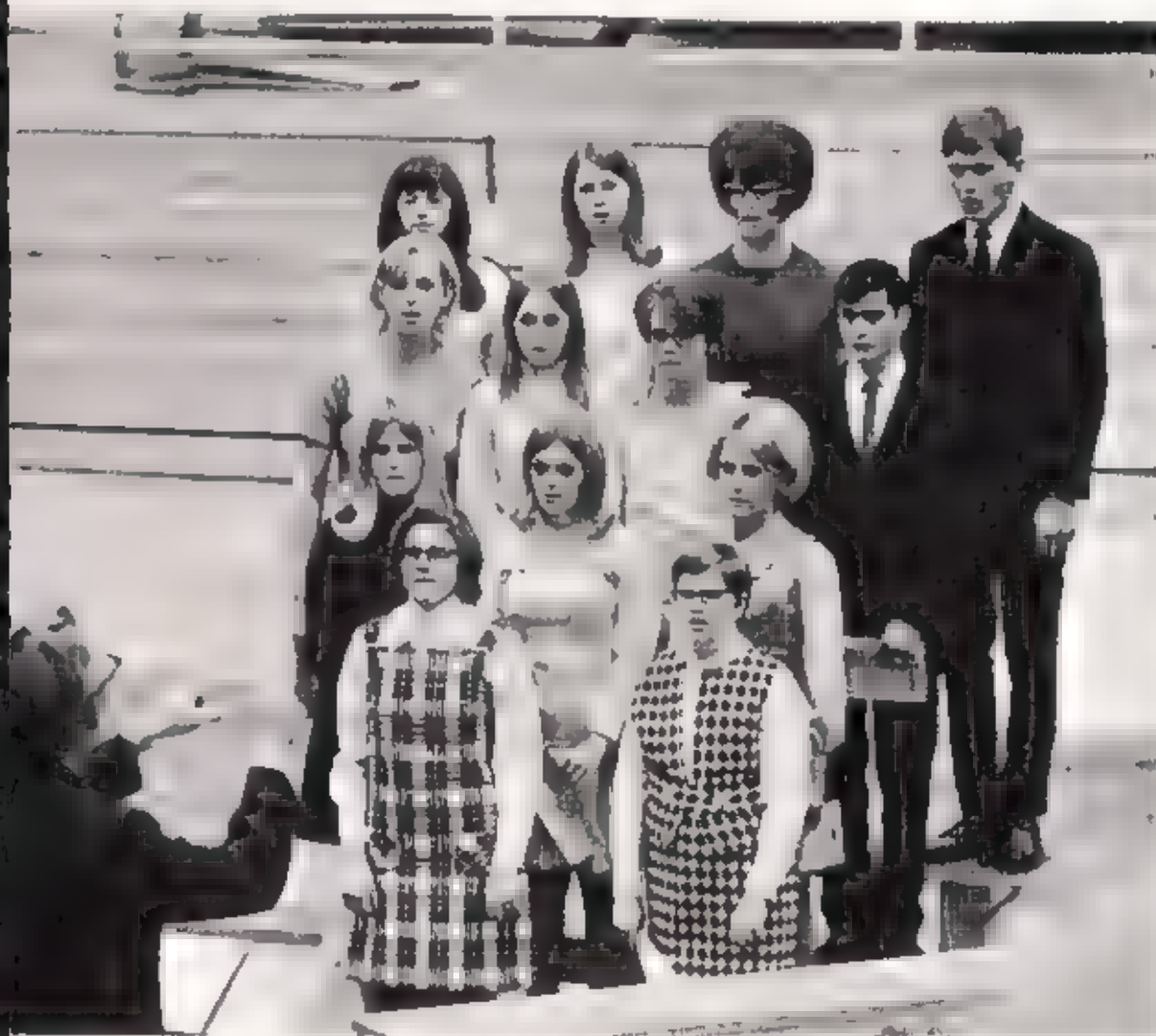




## participate in contest and phhs concerts



CHOIR. FRONT ROW: R. Gordon, S. Spade, D. Rhoades, M. Faust, S. Dailey, D. Levitz, C. Beer, D. Penrod, N. Rhoades, L. Smith. ROW 2: T. Shank, D. Kimpel, R. Brown, R. Jaquay, J. Rowe, B. Holiday, L. Shaffer, V. Stauffer, R. Pike, M. Gage, D. Spade, K. Miller. ROW 3: J. Diehl, K. Nelson, P. Hall, K. Kellett, D. Twitchell, S. Thomas, C. Shipe, D. Wilson, J. Pike, A. Artz, S. Reed, C. Neison, M. Day, D. Fourman, L. Johnson. BACK ROW: R. Jaquay, J. Straw, D. Bulter, S. Perkins, L. Diehl, K. Frey, D. Bryant, D. Fiedler, A. Kuchenbecker, P. Walton, D. Strawser, L. Lash, K. Spillner, D. Carpenter, LuAnn Krebs, C. Walton, M. Cline, P. Courtney.



Mr. Riegel was surprised and pleased this year when he found out that his new choir was the largest that Prairie Heights has ever known. The total enrollment for choir was 115.

Of course, a large choir meant more work, and sometimes order was a little hard to keep, but Mr. Riegel soon molded confusion into harmony.

In the County Music Festival, which was held at Prairie Heights this year, our choir nearly outnumbered the two combined choirs of Westview and Lakeland. It took the efforts of Mr. Riegel and his large choir to make this music festival one of the biggest successes of the year.

For one concert the choir divided into different sections to add originality and contrast to their performance.

# Swing Choir, Pep Band have successful year

After a year of getting organized, the Swing Choir swung into an active year of entertainment. "Going Out of my Head," "Up, Up & Away," and "Sonny" are just a few of the "now generation" songs they sang. The singers always seemed to captivate their audience in concerts with their harmonizing voices. Their hard endeavors were rewarded when they were invited to entertain the Pokagon Club in Orland.

Hearing a "Charge" fanfare or an "Up in the Bandstand" chant from the bleachers during football season or the gym during basketball season is not unusual sound around PHHS. It's the Pep Band setting a jubilant atmosphere for pep sessions and half time.

Playing both classical and popular hits the Pep Band tried to please everyone with their spirited music. Members were kept active throughout the entire year learning new songs and chants.

With the combination of talented students and leaders Dave Bryant's enthusiasm, the Pep Band kept its tradition of being "No. 1" in the area.



**SWING CHOIR.** FRONT ROW: W. Chowning, B. Tracey, L. Krebs, M. Cline. ROW 2: L. Shaffer, C. Allen, D. Rhoades, M. Howe, J. Myhnier, R. Jaquay. ROW 3: D. Faust, S. Perkins, S. Hughes, K. Miller, D. Spade, M. Faust, N. Rhoades. ROW 4: D. Twitchell, J. Fuller, C. Kline, M. Shaffer, S. Spade, T. Keyes, B. Holiday. BACK ROW: T. Arney, C. Huff, L. Lash, D. Bryant, D. Bulter, R. Jaquay, S. Riegel, L. Henderson.

Pep Band members enjoy playing as well as the fans enjoy hearing them play their peppy music.

**PEP BAND.** FRONT ROW: L. Spero, L. Staff, D. Bryant (Leader), D. Carpenter, B. Tracey. ROW 2: D. Bulter, S. Riegel, J. Shire, K. Kellett, D. Faust, J. Myhnier, D. Brock. ROW 3: S. Spade, J. Fuller, S. Warring, B. Holiday, M. Gage, P. Courtney, S. Hughes, C. Loucks. ROW 4: C. Allen, J. Hayward, J. Keyes, D. Merriman, D. Norton, M. Cline, J. Van Wagner, B. Hunter. BACK ROW: L. Lash, L. Henderson, K. Chrysler, R. Pusti, M. Howe, J. Diehl, T. Arney.





# pantherettes and drum majors highlight shows



**POM PON FRONT ROW:** N. Halsey, C. Beer, D. Becker, J. Rowe, R. Gordon, P. Richards, V. Krieger (Pres.). **BACK ROW** D. Fourman, K. Everidge, M. Day, LuAnn Krebs, C. Smith, K. Fourman, Lori Krebs, P. Housholder (V-Pres.), C. Bolen.

**MAJORETTES. FRONT ROW:** B. Hunter, K. German, J. Keyes. **BACK ROW:** S. Norman, T. Keyes, L. Shaffer, D. Sunday.



The majorettes and pom pon corp added a feminine as well as snappy touch to the marching band during performances. Two majorettes attended camp and brought back many cute and varied routines including an "authentic" baseball game, Indian Fire Dance, and a pom pon "Work Song" which was performed with the pom pon corp. During football and basketball games, the majorettes and pom pon corp often pleased the crowd with feature routines.

Leading the band through difficult, exact marching forms, the drum majors emphasized their importance of precise and smooth marching techniques. Their flashing batons and sharp whistles guided the band throughout performances as well as made a majestic addition to the marching band.



Drum majors, Jerry Graham and Richard Taylor step smartly. They are often seen in this position while directing the marching band.



# Band works hard at marching performances

Putting in endless hours of after-school practices and during class, the marching band performed numerous half-time shows of various types during football season. Commencing with the unique performance of "Spotlight on Percussion," the band continued their commendable performances with various other routines such as "Ghost Town" and "New Generation." Included in these routines were incorporated drum drills and dance steps, as well as, special majorette and pom pon dances. With a lot of effort on the part of the band members and the director a fine marching band was achieved.



**SAXOPHONES.** FRONT ROW: A Weaver, B. Hunter, G. German, K. Kellett, C. Faust, J. Van Wagner, D. Norton, R. Sellers. BACK ROW: J. Straw, S. Shultz, C. Rasler, J. Wren, J. Sassanella, D. Faust, M. Cline, C. Rettinger, D. Brock.



Ecstatic band members yell their delight at the sight of a touch down. After their performance, the band played in the band stands.



**BASSES.** FRONT ROW: M. Sassanella, R. Taylor, J. Diehl, D. Wilson. BACK ROW: R. Jaquay, V. Fretz, D. Beiswanger, T. Armey, D. Twitchell.



# Band hosts County Music Festival



BASS, ALTO, THIRD CLARINETS. FRONT ROW: S. Hughes, K. Streb, M. Kellett, P. Courtney, S. Warring, C. Loucks. BACK ROW: J. Myhnier, J. Rodgers, K. German, P. Crawford, V. Ransburg, S. Luttman, D. Sunday.



CORONETS. FRONT ROW: M. Howe, R. Pusti, M. Tullis, L. Henderson. BACK ROW: D. Spade, S. Glasgow, D. Bryant, K. Chrysler.



As pom pon girls, LuAnn Krebbs, Rainelle Gorden, and Debbie Becker, stand at attention, the band plays the National Anthem.

# "You've come a long way

A popular saying of the '70's, "you've come a long way baby," could very well apply to our PHHS Band. Our band has traveled a long and rugged road to reach their success of today. In '65, five long years ago, our band was not the organized music team it is now. That was the year school first began in our brand new building and it was the first time the bands from the various schools that form PHHS attempted to unite.

Our band has a fine heritage, maybe not a long one, but a fine one! This is one of the contributing factors to the success of our music band.



CLARINETS. *FRONT ROW:* A. Kuchenbecker, P. Walton, S. Gravit, S. Spade, M. Faust, B. Snyder, C. Freed. *BACK ROW:* J. Fuller, K. Kellett, J. Graham, M. Gage, B. Holaday, T. Keyes, K. Miller.



TROMBONES. *FRONT ROW:* J. Shire, C. Huff, M. Coney. *BACK ROW:* D. Butler, S. Riegel, B. Tracey.



A nice spring day finds band members outdoors working on marching formations. Marching was greatly emphasized this year and the band put in many long hours of tiring practice.



over the difficult road to success



**FLUTES.** *FRONT ROW:* D. Levitz, S. Hughes, L. Shaffer, J. Hayward, S. Norman, L. Lash. *BACK ROW:* D. Hall, C. Allen, J. Grabill, S. Prentice, J. Keyes, D. Merri man, R. Glasgow.



**PERCUSSION.** *FRONT ROW:* L. Stalf, S. Denton, N. Hayward, S. Perkins. *BACK ROW:* E. Freed, N. Lash, D. Carpenter, L. Spero.

## Lettermen paint panther den

The Lettermans Club was an active organization. Members painted the Panther Den (boys locker room), red and black, the school colors, to show their spirit. Since spirit was so high this year, Lettermen, had to show that they too had Big Red spirit, plus a Big Red locker room painted by excellent artists.

Another interesting project achieved by the Lettermen, was a canoe race down Pigeon River. This activity was done for fun and good-natured competition. The winners of this canoe race were Scott Reese and Larry Stalf.

The Letterman's Club organization, has been more active this year than ever before. Keep up the good work.



Lettermans Club. *FRONT ROW* Coach Click, L. Shipe, G. Hollowell, D. Dunkel, D. Langley, L. Stalf, Coach Bremer *ROW 2:* J. Combs, H. Chester, D. Berswanger, S. Begley, C. Huff, A. Knisely, T. Levitz, L. Begley. *ROW 3:* E. Gordon, R. Tracey, S. Reese, L. Noll, S. Helmuth, C. Rasler, J. Milleman, R. Taylor. *ROW 4:* D. Booth (Pres.), L. Diehl, L. Richards, B. Shultz, R. Perkins, J. Ellsworth, L. Halsey. *BACK ROW:* M. Hayward, S. Perkins (Sec. & Treas.), D. Wilder, M. Watkins, J. Holden, G. Walton, D. Rhinesmith, R. Fretz, G. Warring.

## Cheerleaders; link between fans and team

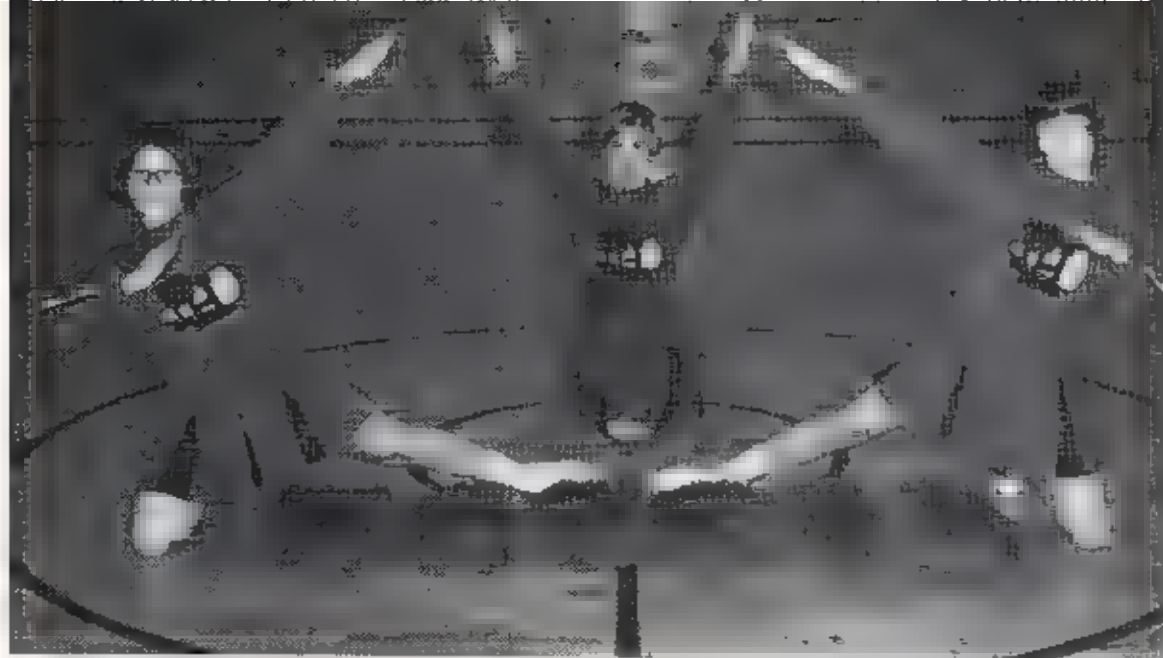
Binding the student body, team, and administration into one unit, is the duty of the cheerleader. She is the connecting link between the student body and the team. A cheerleader represents school spirit; she must have spirit and build spirit in others as well.

It is rewarding to be a cheerleader, but it is also a huge sacrifice. At times you are disappointed by the lack of spirit and the care less attitude of students. Also, a cheerleader must put in hours of practice, she must give up her own time to plan yells and pep sessions. She must stand the criticism, as well as the praise, of teachers, students, players, and coaches. Why then, if being a cheerleader is such hard work, do girls make this sacrifice? They care—that's why! They receive their reward, when they hear fans open up to cheer the team to victory!



Varsity Cheerleaders. P. Conley, C. Gillen, J. Shire, R. Sellers, D. Sellers.

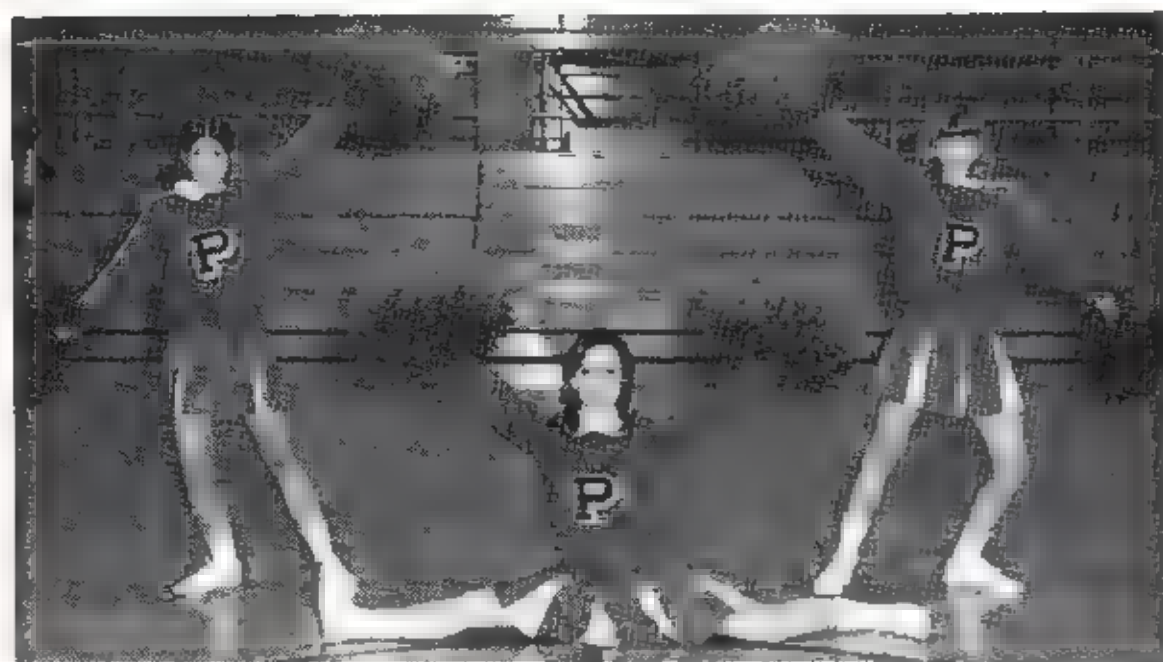




J. V. Cheerleaders. S. Bowman, K. Spillner, C. Rettinger.



9th Grade Cheerleaders. P. Walton, J. Sassanella, T. Keyes.



8th Grade Cheerleaders. T. Summers, M. Grabill, A. Sellers.



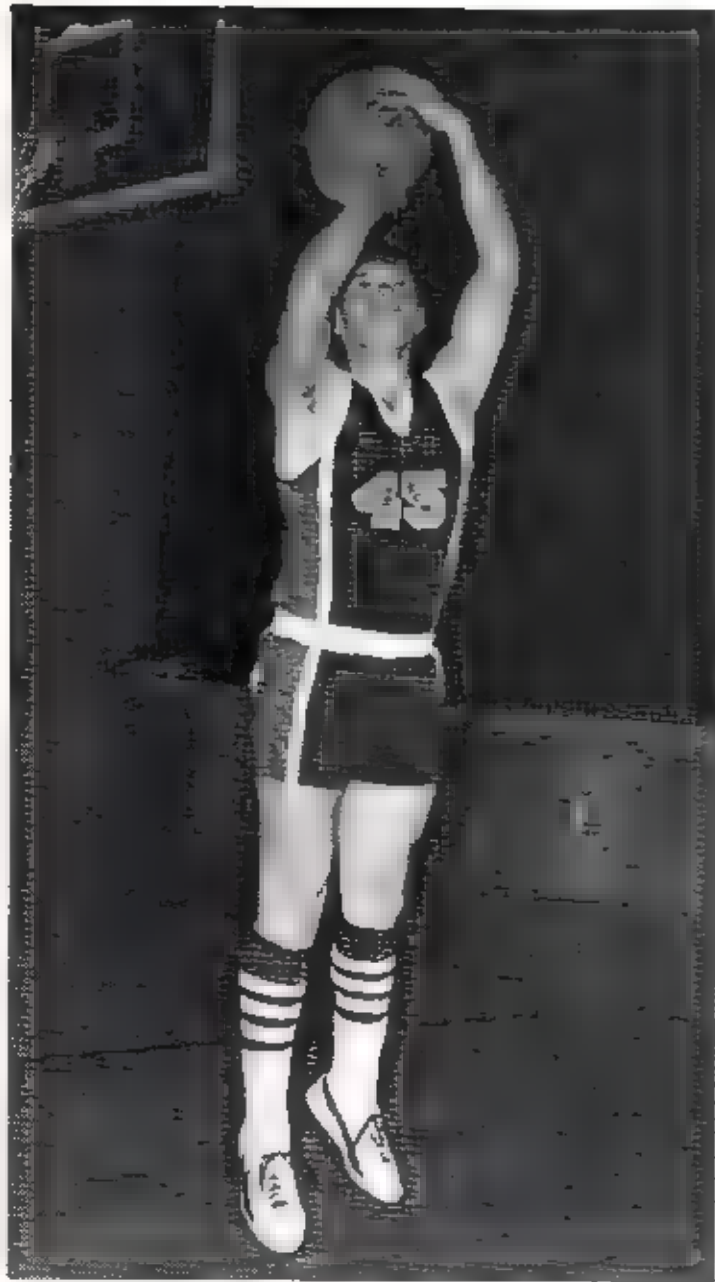
7th Grade Cheerleaders. J. Shire, K. Levitz, K. Click

*What's it all about . . .*





# SPORTS



Tense muscles, strained nerves, static buzzing, hushed crowd, clock begins—flashes of *our* team in action . . .

Enduring grit and grind characterized PHHS's athletic teams as they gave "110% effort" all the time to enable the capture of many crowns of glory throughout the year.

Showing bull-dog courage and constant fortitude, they created a tremendous pride and spirit through the school. Each class tried very hard to be the winner of the "spirit stick" by making posters, performing skits, and displaying the most enthusiasm in a number of ways. However, the whole school fused into one flashing unit of support during games, meets, and matches. "Go Big Red!"

# Panther baseball brings home first NECC crown

"All right Jeff 'Babe'—put it right down the old alley." "That's it Doug look 'em over—he'll pitch ya a good one." "Hey, Hey batter—he didn't even see that one." "Nice catch Stan! I thought that one was gone." If you don't believe a bench can sound like that go to a baseball game. It doesn't take long to see that a group that talks together, funs together, and works together, wins together when it gets down to the nitty gritty. Talk may not be the only reason for the conference title but it's a big factor just the same.

Baseball is a sport that only attracts the eye of those that follow the players. If you missed the Panthers when they played Westview, Hamilton, Central Noble, West Noble, Fremont, and Carroll then it is unlikely that a conference championship means little more than a pennant for the gym. To the players, however, the satisfaction of a job well done is payment enough for even grueling hours of practice and sweat—including a "few" ridges.



Duane Bowman pulls his foot to stop a ball in the dirt for an out at first base.

| Varsity Baseball |               |   |
|------------------|---------------|---|
| Prairie          | Opponents     |   |
| 20               | Westview      | 5 |
| 7                | Hamilton      | 5 |
| 8                | Fremont       | 2 |
| 2                | Central Noble | 0 |
|                  | West Noble    | 9 |
| 1                | Carroll       | 0 |
| 2                | Westview      | 4 |
| 3                | Fremont       | 0 |
| 4                | Hamilton      | 5 |
| 5                | Central Noble | 3 |
| 6                | West Noble    | 2 |
| NECC CHAMPIONS   |               |   |
| 1                | Hamilton      |   |
| 2                | West Noble    |   |
| Spring 1970      |               |   |
| 1                | Fremont       |   |
| 2                | Burr Oak      |   |
| 3                | Hamilton      |   |
| 4                | Bronson       |   |
| 5                | Eastview      |   |



VARSITY BASEBALL. FRONT ROW: D. Dunkel, A. Knisely, J. Ellsworth, D. Bowman, D. Booth, S. Helmuth, J. Holden, M. Sassanella, ROW 2: Coach Rubley, K. Kellett, A. Miller, C. Rasler, R. Fretz, D. Wilder, T. Levitz, K. Frey, L. Shipe, Coach Foltz.





Alan Kniseley takes a mighty swing during baseball practice.



A little footrace "piggyback" style never hurt anyone as Coach Foltz counts cadence.

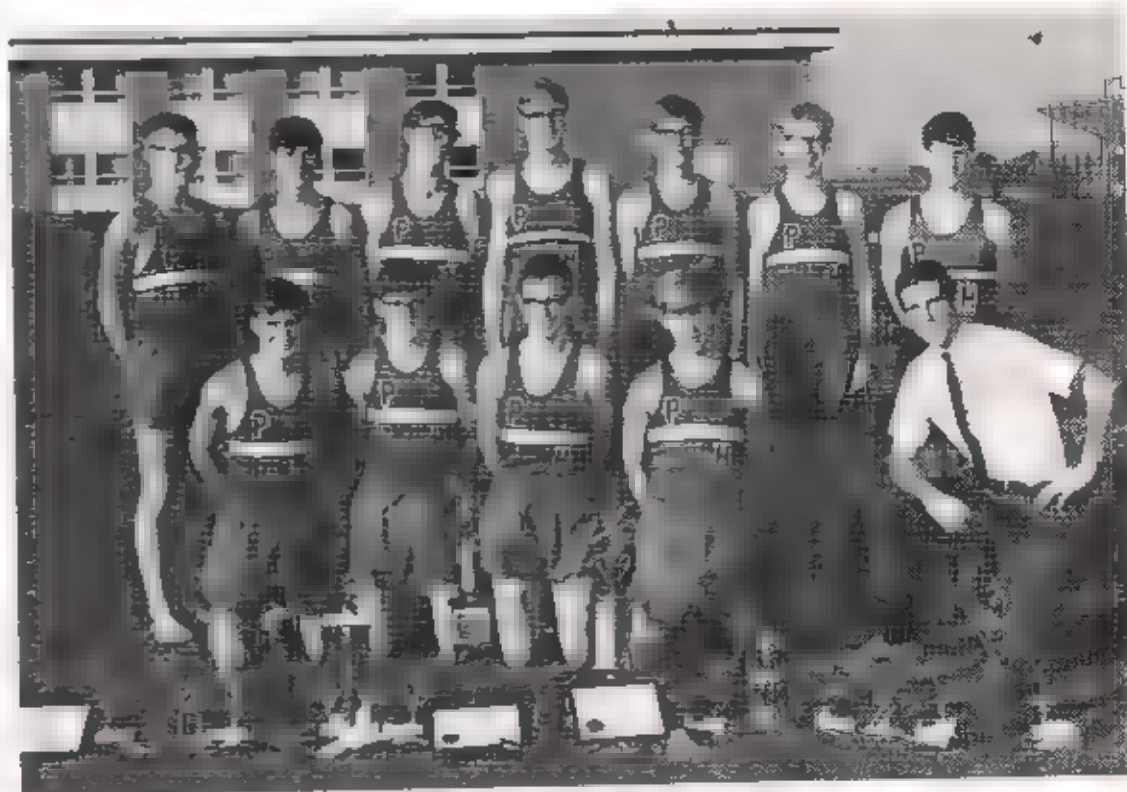
Pitcher, Jeff Holden prepares his play as all eyes follow the curving sphere.



# C.C. streaks through winning season

Put heaven on the other side of a two mile stretch that runs over hill and dale, around a babbling stream or over a bouncing bridge, under a low hanging tree and the clear blue sky. Put a dozen men in red uniforms in a line and point a gun. Take a piece of rope and stretch it between some posts and wave flags at the corner. And when things go around in circles and get all psychedelic and confused, then scream and yell at the top of your voice and do other confusing things. Put a few people around to look official and ladies and gentlemen—you have all the color of a cross country race.

PHHS's cross country team streaked through a winning season and went on to capture the Lakeland Invitational and place third in the Sectional.



ROW 1: G. Hollowell, L. Begley, L. Beiswanger, H. Chester, Coach Kuhn. ROW 2: D. Beiswanger, S. Begley, M. Hayward, D. Rhinesmith, D. Rhinesmith, J. Shire, C. Huff. Absent: R. Taylor.

| CROSS COUNTRY               |                 |    |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|----|
| VARSITY                     |                 |    |
| *Low Score Wins             |                 |    |
| Prairie Heights             | Opponents       |    |
| 1                           | Zenith          | 34 |
| 2                           | Westview        | 35 |
| 3                           | Central Noble   | 40 |
| 4                           | Angola          | 45 |
| 5                           | Westview        | 45 |
| 6                           | Churubusco Inv. | 49 |
| 7                           | Hamilton        | 50 |
| WON FAIRFIELD 10 MILE RELAY |                 |    |
| 1                           | Lakeland        | 54 |
| 2                           | Angola          | 55 |
| 3                           | Garrett         | 56 |
| 4                           | Howe Military   | 57 |
| 5                           | Westview        | 58 |
| 6                           | Hamilton        | 59 |
| WON LAKELAND INVITATIONAL   |                 |    |
| 1                           | Hamilton        | 50 |
| 3rd Place SECTIONAL         |                 |    |
| 12th Place REGIONAL         |                 |    |

Rhinesmith and Taylor "stretch 'em out" as they report to the starting line.







Everybody leads cal as the Pack in its "Family Circle" prepares to defeat a rival

## Jr. high takes 2nd in county meet



Jr. High Cross Country: FRONT ROW, R. Crawford, T. Wooster, T. Holsinger, T. Crawford, H. Lewis. ROW 2 L Beiswanger, M. Hayward, R. Taylor, W. Wells, Coach Hostetler.

Jr. High Cross Country, coached by Mr. Hostetler, compiled an average season with a 3 win, 3 loss record.

By increasing their determination, practice, and effort, these hard working boys managed to take 2nd out of five schools competing in the county meet.

With such an early start, by the time this team is ready for high school cross country, they will really be able to pour on the steam and stand the strain of long distance running.

| Junior High Cross Country |            |           |
|---------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Prairie Heights           |            | Opponents |
| 40                        | Westview   | 16        |
| 20                        | Hamilton   | 26        |
| 20                        | LaGrange   | 35        |
| 20                        | Lima       | 37        |
| 20                        | Middlebury | 41        |
| 20                        | Westview   | 45        |
| 20                        | Hamilton   | 49        |
| Bicounty 4th out of 6     |            |           |
| County 4th out of 6       |            |           |

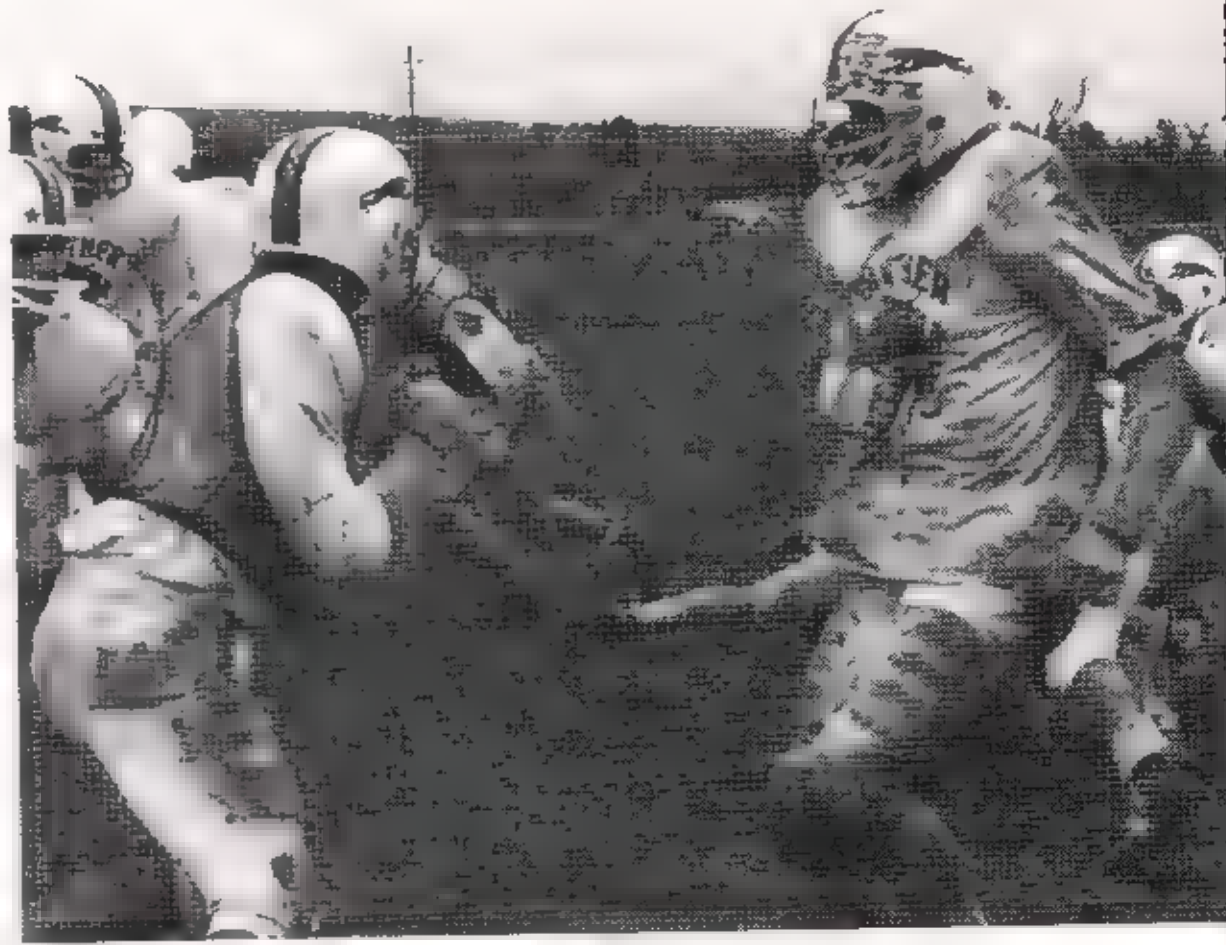


# Gridiron captures their first NECC conference title

"Ready, Set, Hit! Hit!" and "Hit!" they did as they charged past Leo, Fremont, West Noble, Edon, Howe, Hamilton, and Fairfield with five shut-outs. You must admit that it takes "a lot of Pride" to even put on a football uniform little alone completely block all moving objects.

Looking back you may ask if the seniors, or the coaching, or the high spirit brought home the trophy for area best. This question may only be answered by two words "team work" and the Prairie Heights team is Gr-r-r-eat.

Blake Shultz and Sam Perkins trap a rushing man during practice as the play progresses in the background.



VARSITY FOOTBALL. FRONT ROW: Coach Foltz, J. German, T. Levitz, A. Knisely, G. Silvers, D. Spencer, D. Langley, L. Stalf, D. Dunkel, Coach Bremer. ROW 2: Coach Shepard, J. W. Combs, R. Tracey, C. Rasler, L. Diehl, J. Millman, L. Halsey, K. Frey, E. Gordon. ROW 3: S. Reese, S. Helmuth, D. Bowman, V. Fretz, B. Shultz, J. Ellsworth, L. Richards, B. Barnes. ROW 4: S. Perkins, R. Perkins, D. Wilder, G. Walton, J. Holden, M. Watkins, G. Boots, R. Perkins.







Future "Pride" team is ready for the rush as the opponents come to the set position.

## J.V. team has successful season

J.V. FOOTBALL FRONT ROW: P. Bolinger, B. Milleman, K. Burtch, R. Holiday, A. Miller, G. Silvers, J. Diehl, R. Stanski, G. Penrod, B. Eberhard. ROW 2: K. Frey, K. Kellett, D. Benson, G. DeGraw, G. German, J. Tubbs, M. Tullis, B. Lockhart, D. Borden, Coach Grabill. ROW 3: Coach Roush, J. Mills, P. Rasler, S. Shultz, R. Wooster, J. Straw, T. Witham, M. Sassanella, T. Davis, B. Rhine-smith.



| Varsity Football |           |
|------------------|-----------|
|                  | Opponents |
| Len              | 7         |
| L. Luannere      | 29        |
| Freemont         | 0         |
| West Noble       | 14        |
| Edon             | 0         |
| Howe             | 0         |
| Hamilton         | 0         |
| Fairfield        | 0         |
| Lakeland         | 0         |

| Junior Varsity Football |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
|                         | Opponents |
| Angola                  | 20        |
| West Noble              | 0         |
| East Noble              | 0         |
| Bronson                 | 6         |
| Hicksville              | 0         |
| Norwell                 | 0         |

The Junior Varsity Football team experienced a very successful season under the coaching of Mr. Grabill. The season started out with a disappointing 8-20 loss to Leo. The second game to Angola ended a little better with neither team capturing victory. After this Junior Varsity Football soared high with four consecutive wins against West Noble, East Noble, Bronson, and Hicksville. The last game of the season was a heartbreaker with Norwell emerging on top by four points.

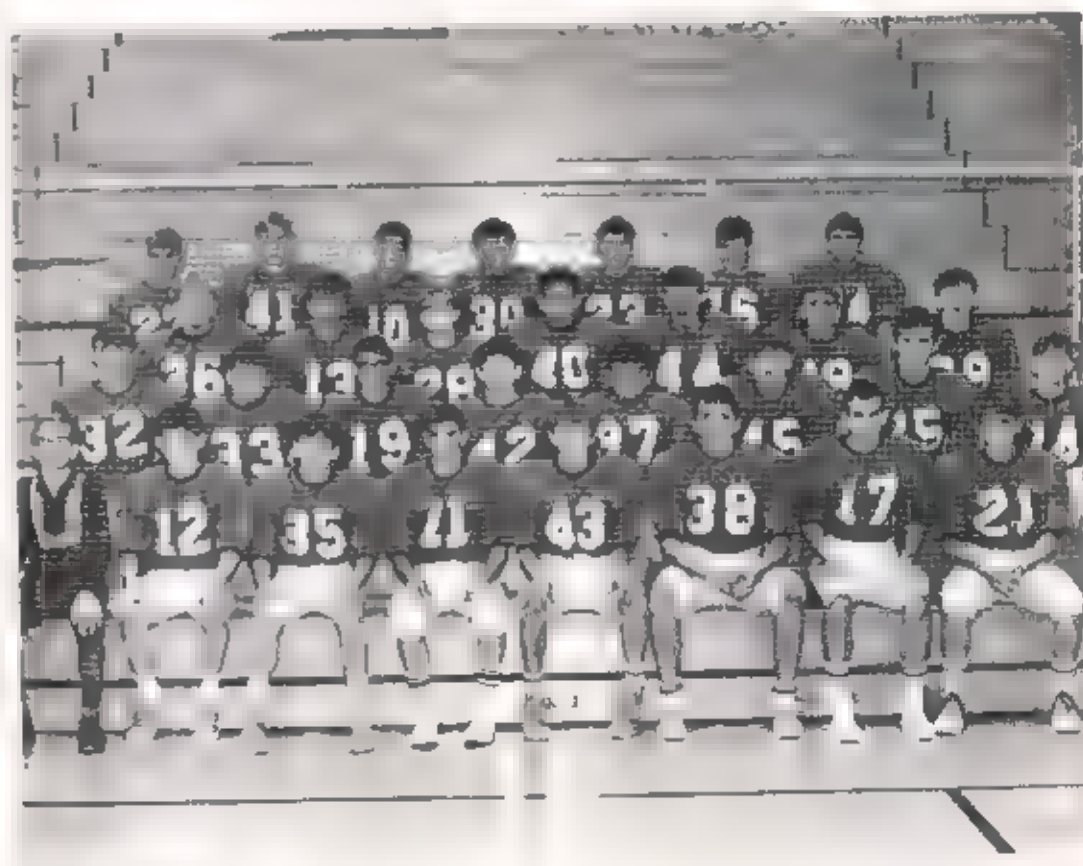
The Junior Varsity team on the whole played an excellent season thanks to hard work, skill, and superior coaching.



Mike Sassanella takes the pitch on the play from Quarterback Greg Silvers.

## Jr. High large in spirit and stamina

In Junior High, plays may be few and far between for the boy on the bench. But it only takes a couple of victories to tell yourself that you belong. Why not win when your "Pride and Glory" can consistently rack up double figures while holding schools like Fremont, Lima, Howe, and Hamilton to almost nothing. It feels good to carouse around and get somewhere while you do it. So give me that helmet and those pads—I'll play the game and get the job done, too!



JR. HIGH FOOTBALL: FRONT ROW: J. Galloway, R. Cline, G. Spencer, K. Hoyer, J. Watkins, G. Krebs, R. Hall, A. Graham. ROW 2: D. Cumming, T. Langley, S. Sanders, S. Fuller, E. Mynhier, K. Burtch, L. Wooster. ROW 3: S. Hamman, D. Boyles, J. Cowley, D. Tubbs, R. Ness, G. Sutton, M. Freed. BACK ROW: A. Friend, C. Spillner, K. Tubbs, B. Booth, M. German, M. Holden.

| Junior High Football |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Prairie Heights      | Opponents |
| Fremont              |           |
| Lima                 |           |
| Howe                 |           |
| Hamilton             |           |
| LaGrange             |           |
| 7th Grade Football   |           |
| Prairie Heights      | Opponents |
| Howe                 |           |
| Angola               |           |
| Hamilton             |           |
| LaGrange             |           |



# Panthers break the 100 mark



Varsity Basketball. **FRONT ROW:** R. Taylor, D. Dunkel, Coach Click, J. German, L. Shipe, S. Perkins. **BACK ROW:** T. Levitz, J. Graham, D. Booth, R. Fretz, D. Rhinesmith, G. Walton, J. Holden, M. Watkins, D. Wilder, J. Ellsworth, S. Helmuth, G. Silvers.

With hands clenched and hearts pounding, all eyes stare as if fascinated at the player at the foul line. Will he make it? Will they win or lose? This frenzy and nervous tension is caused by basketball, our states' biggest sport.

Varsity Basketball ended the season with a fair 11 win and 13 loss average. For the first time in Panther history, the basketball team broke the 100 mark when they tromped over Angola with a 102 win. Panthers went on to maintain this with a 103 victory against Eastside.

Panther fans went wild when for the first time, Varsity Basketball won a sectional game—the mighty Panthers whizzed by the Garrett Railroaders with a score of 70—66. The second game against DeKalb was a bitter loss to swallow of 75—81.

During the NECC tourney, PHHS was proud to boast that Doug Booth and Jeff Holden made the first All-Star Team.

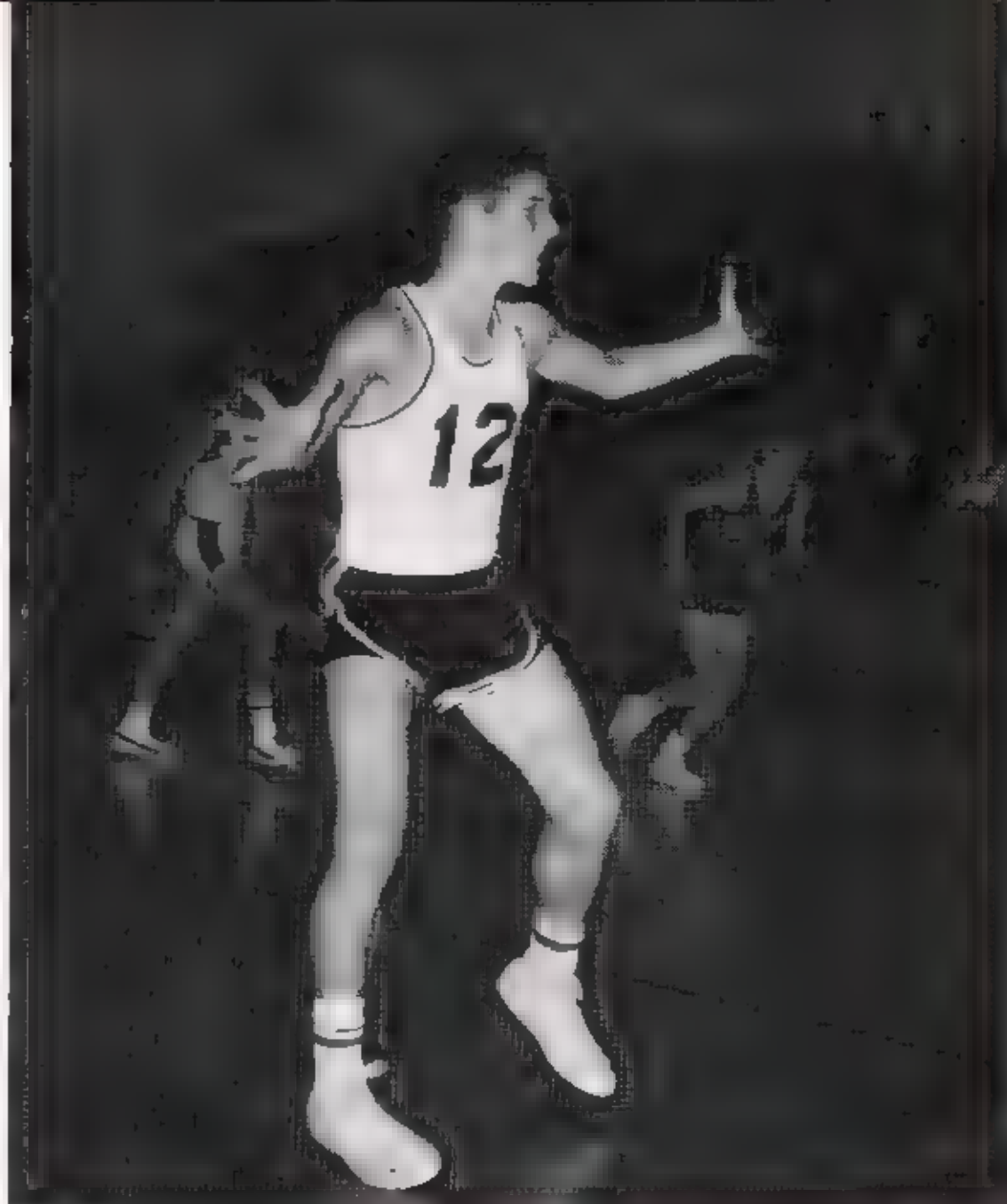


Jeff Holden leaps above opponents as he aims a shot for the Big Red.

| Varsity Basketball |               |           |
|--------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Prairie Heights    |               | Opponents |
| 72                 | Lakeland      | 79        |
|                    | Hamilton      |           |
|                    | Fremont       |           |
|                    | Fairfield     |           |
|                    | Lee           |           |
|                    | Westview      |           |
|                    | Churubusco    |           |
|                    | South Whitley |           |
|                    | Northridge    |           |
| NECC TOURNEY       |               |           |
|                    | West Noble    |           |
|                    | Hamilton      |           |
|                    | Central Noble |           |
| Howe Military      |               |           |
|                    | Angola        |           |
|                    | West Noble    |           |
|                    | Fremont       |           |
|                    | Eastside      |           |
|                    | Bronson       |           |
|                    | Piercetown    |           |
|                    | Central Noble |           |
|                    | Bronson       |           |
| SECTIONAL          |               |           |
|                    | Garret        |           |
|                    | DeKalb        |           |

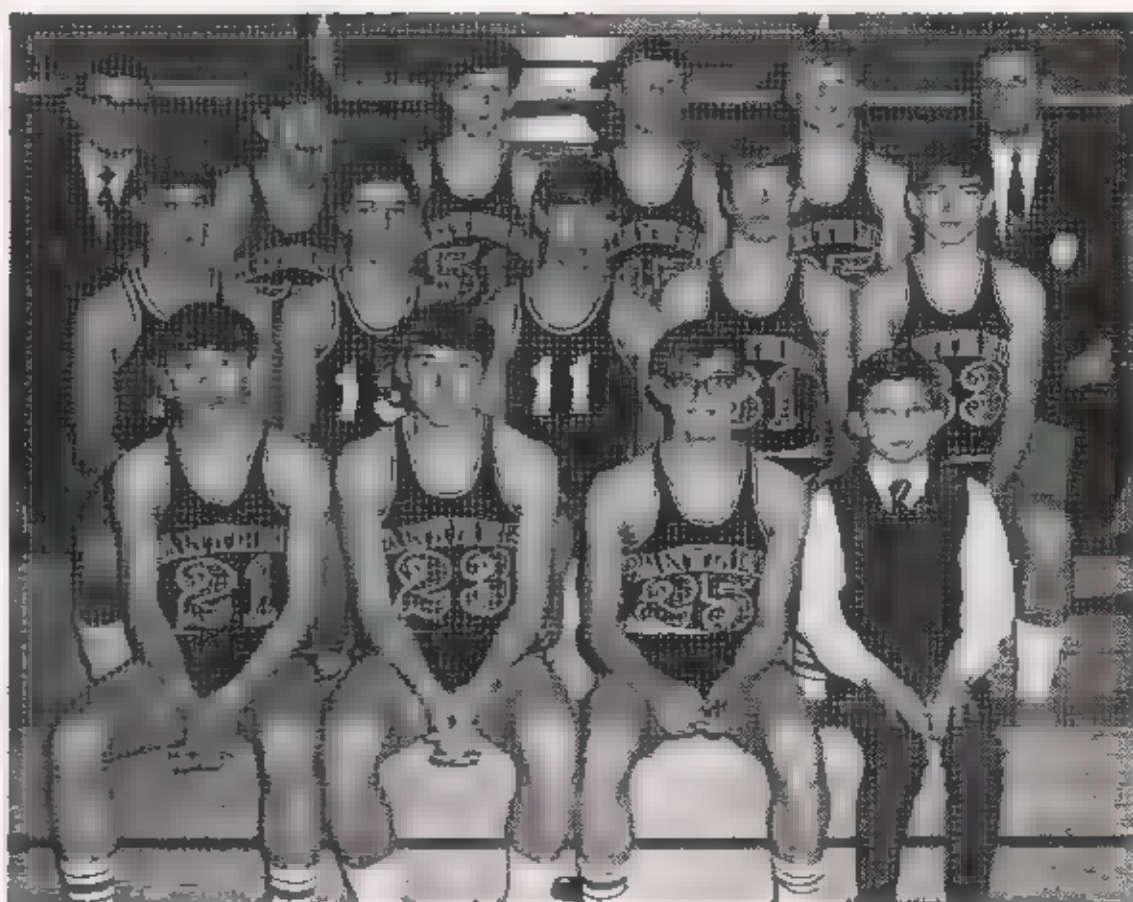
# J.V.'s on the go

They call the game "basketball" but the name should, more often than not, be called heart-break. Losing to Lakeland, Fairfield, Leo, Westview, South Whitley, Northridge, West Noble, Howe, Eastside, Bronson and Priceton in just twenty-one appearances may be hard to take but the real team is the one that comes back to sock it to their next victim, the team that makes things tick in practice, and the team that keeps together when not on the floor. With a real promise for the future Panther spirit does not very often fall by the wayside as the clock ticks away to the final gun.



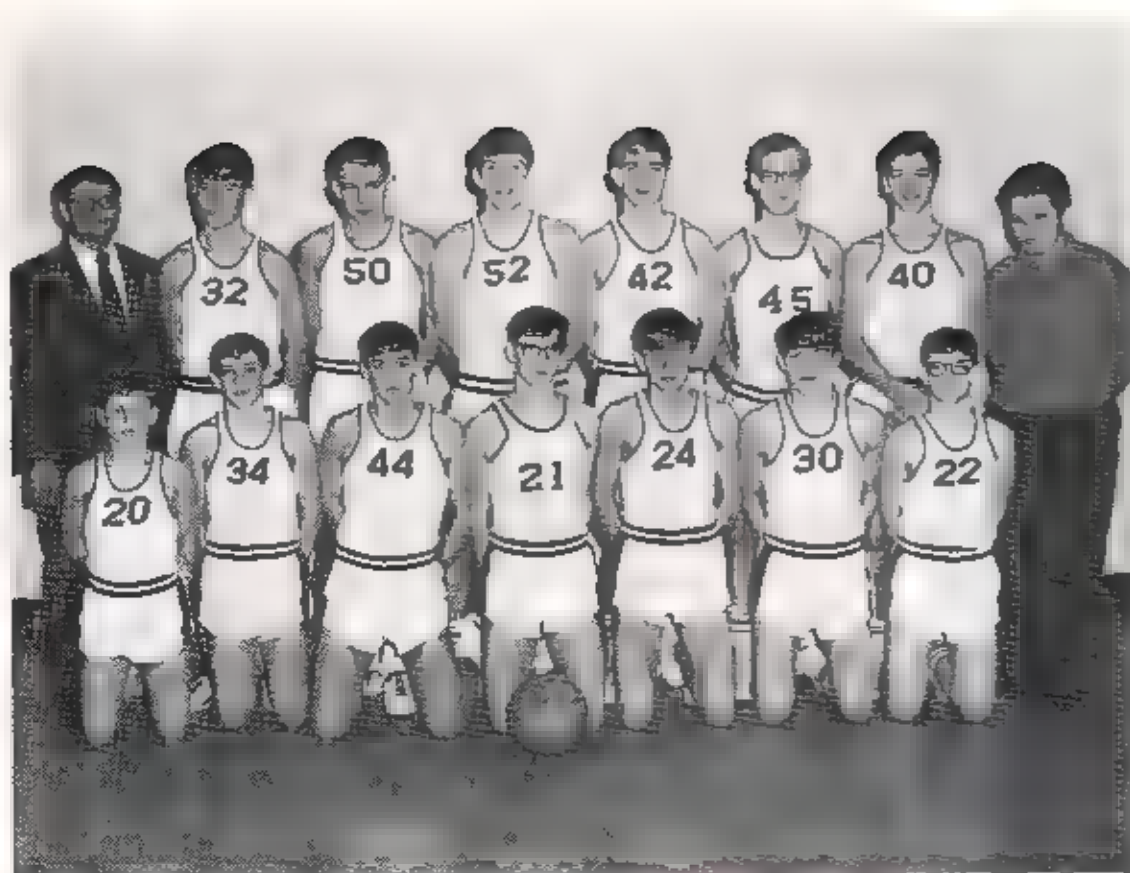
Kevin Frey is a "Monster Man" as the Junior Varsity Panthers press during an out of bounds play.

| Jr. Varsity Basketball |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Score                  | Opponents     |
| 31                     | Lakeland      |
| 28                     | Hamilton      |
| 25                     | Fremont       |
| 24                     | Fairfield     |
| 22                     | Leo           |
| 20                     | Westview      |
| 19                     | Churubusco    |
| 18                     | South Whitley |
| 17                     | Northridge    |
| 16                     | Westview      |
| 15                     | Fremont       |
| 14                     | West Noble    |
| 13                     | Leo           |
| 12                     | Hamilton      |
| 11                     | West Noble    |
| 10                     | Fremont       |
| 9                      | Eastside      |
| 8                      | Bronson       |
| 7                      | Pierceton     |
| 6                      | Central Noble |
| 5                      | Bronson       |



J.V. Basketball. **FRONT ROW:** D. Twitchell, G. Silvers, V. Bontrager, J. German (Manager). **ROW 2:** G. German, K. Frey, D. Langley, L. Diehl, K. Kellett. **BACK ROW:** D. Dunkel (Manager), D. Borden, R. Sutton, M. Sassanella, J. Walter, Coach Grabill.





Freshman Basketball FRONT ROW B. Milliman, K. Kellet, G. German, S. Glasgow, R. Noll, R. Holiday, J. Cowley LAST ROW J. King, P. Rastler, T. Davis, J. Straw, S. Shultz, J. Shire, K. Frey, P. Bolinser (Manager)



Pat Rasler goes up for the tip as Garman, Straw, and Frey, try to out move their men for position.

## Freshmen gain experience and help out JV

Last year's eighth grade champions proved they needed no laurels to compile a very respectable season's record. Under the coaching of Mr. King, and fire of Junior Straw, Greg Garman, and Kevin Frey—the Freshmen Hardwood boys outscored their opponents 12 out of 17 times on the floor.

Performing for relatively small crowds they offered the action and excitement of professionals. Popcorn, pop, and candy tasted just as good at their games, as the big time, and the sweets of victory were there in the locker room after the game.

Practice is no sweat either if the fellows know what is up and how to do it together before they hit the floor. The Future certainly looks bright for PHHS before 1973.

| 9th Grade Basketball |              |         |
|----------------------|--------------|---------|
| Points               | Opponents    |         |
| 16                   | Uma          | 14      |
| 20                   | Brighton     | 50      |
| 28                   | Bronson      | 48      |
| 31                   | Hamilton     | 31      |
| 37                   | Angola       | 42 (OT) |
| 41                   | Fremont      | 31      |
| 46                   | West Noble   | 36      |
| 50                   | Westview     | 75 (OT) |
| 54                   | LaGrange     | 31      |
| 58                   | Wolcottville | 3       |
| Bi-County Tournament |              |         |
| 61                   | Westview     | 35 (OT) |
| 65                   | Wolcottville | 44      |
| 4-Way Tournament     |              |         |
| 69                   | Westview     | 5 (OT)  |
| 73                   | Hamilton     | 3       |
| 77                   | Dekalb       | 24      |
| 81                   | Fremont      | 3       |
| 85                   | Brighton     | 3       |

# Teams scored winning season

The eighth grade opened up victory lane by defeating Ashley and Wolcottville, Bronson, Howe, Rome City, Fremont, and Central Noble fell in quick succession. Victory was theirs eleven times out of eighteen even though the class was split into two teams for the major part of the season. Westview seemed to be the Black Panthers bad omen after they got the ball rolling as they defeated the eighth graders twice in the season. Tomorrow looks promising indeed as we salute Coach Smeltzer and the eighth grade netters.



8th Basketball. **FRONT ROW:** E. MynHier, T. Langley, S. Sanders, A. Friend, K. Hoyer, R. Cline, M. Shepherd. **ROW 2:** S. Fuller, L. Young, M. German, A. Graham, K. Tubbs, M. Holden, J. Rodgers. **BACK ROW:** Coach H. Smeltzer, R. Hall, G. Krebs, B. Booth, M. Freed, C. Spillner, R. Taylor, G. Ramey. Absent: M. Hunter

| 8th Grade Basketball |               |    |
|----------------------|---------------|----|
| Prairie              | Opponents     |    |
| 46                   | Bama          | 46 |
| 46                   | Brighton      | 46 |
| 46                   | Ashley        | 46 |
| 46                   | Angola        | 46 |
| 46                   | Westview      | 46 |
| 46                   | Wolcottville  | 46 |
| 46                   | Hamilton      | 46 |
| 46                   | Bronson       | 46 |
| 46                   | Howe Military | 46 |
| 46                   | Rome City     | 46 |
| 46                   | LaGrange      | 46 |
| 46                   | Ashley        | 46 |
| 46                   | Angola        | 46 |
| 46                   | Fremont       | 46 |
| 46                   | Central Noble | 46 |
| 46                   | Journey       | 46 |
| 46                   | Wolcottville  | 46 |
| 46                   | Howe          | 46 |
| 46                   | Westview      | 46 |

This eighth grade player was left open for two easy points as the Junior High racked up a Panther score of 23.





# 7th grade netters gain fundamentals



7th Basketball: **FRONT ROW:** R. Jones, T. Summers, H. Lewis, R. Friend, J. Kiess, G. Gage, B. Millman. **ROW 2** P. Allen, D. Miller, D. Owsley, S. Kurtz, D. Halsey, T. Holsinger, G. Ensley. **BACK ROW:** N. Pfafman, D. Merriman, M. Grein, D. Lewis, D. Hughes, J. Courtright, R. B. Amburgy, Mr. Shepherd.

Fundamentals is the key word for the beginning athlete so drill is as common as experience. 7th grade Panthers entered these halls as shy, timid underclassmen but through practice these netters approached manhood. Bronson was the first to fall in a one point decision, and Ashley, Fremont and Rome City were other victims. Give them a few more seasons height and schedules and you may see Prairie Heights in the big news.

## Strike, spare, gutter— fun, as well as experience



Shaded Steve Gay winds up at Angola Bowl as his team competes for top honors among other Prairie Heights Teams.

| Prize | Opponents     |
|-------|---------------|
| 1st   | Hamilton      |
| 2nd   | Bronson       |
| 3rd   | Ashley        |
| 4th   | Howe Military |
| 5th   | Angola        |
| 6th   | ...           |
| 7th   | Auburn        |
| 8th   | Ashley        |
| 9th   | ...           |
| 10th  | Fremont       |
| 11th  | Rome City     |
| 12th  | 4-Way Tourney |
| 13th  | Fremont       |
| 14th  | Hamilton      |

Head for the cars! Let's open up those lanes. Not much money involved but it is certainly a good way to get away from the books and be with the boys for a few pins. And I'll bet things go better tomorrow with the books, too.

Intramural bowling gives the guys a chance to strengthen and to improve their game as well as having fun with the gang!



TRACK. FRONT ROW: J. Shire, P. Conley (1970 Track Queens:) ROW 2: B. Milleman, R. Stanski, R. Holiday, L. Begley, R. Taylor, M. Hayward, J. Straw, J. Ellsworth. ROW 3: B. Shultz, B. Bernham, C. Sain, J. Combs, D. Langley, A. Knisely, T. Levitz, H. Chester, S. Begley, E. Freed. ROW 4 Coach Kuhn, S. Reese, J. Shire, L. Beiswanger, S. Perkins, C. Huff, D. Northup, R. Perkins, D. Rhinesmith, L. Halsey, D. Beiswanger, Coach Roush.

## Track decides NECC all-sports trophy

The track team, with lots of hard work and many practices, buzzed through the season to emerge undefeated. Panthers managed to go all the way in track and leave opponents standing in amazement. The season began with a heartening 61 to 57 defeat over Northridge. The next meet with Fremont was a snap with the final score ending at 113 to 5.

Panthers captured the first big meet—the Tingley Invite, with little effort; our final score was 76. Lakeland was second but still far behind with a 49.

The meet against Westview was close, and for awhile team and coach alike were worried. But the victorious Panthers managed to slip by with a 60 over a 58.

The next big meet, the Lakeland Invite, was another win for the Big Red, with no trouble at all.

Panthers flew through the NECC Meet and emerged victorious. The team and coach were jubilant to end the meets with a smashing defeat against Angola.



"Gun Up. Bang!" Here comes Knisley eating up ground on a 220 yard dash.

Langley and Holiday speed down the track going low to the hurdle, fast between obstacles and always first.







Coach Smeltzer and team members figure the score. The relay is up next. Do we need the points?

| Varsity Track                         |               |    |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|----|
| Prairie                               | Opponents     |    |
| 61                                    | Northridge    | 57 |
| 113                                   | Freemont      |    |
| 66                                    | Howe          |    |
| 68                                    | Hamilton      |    |
| 60                                    | Westview      |    |
| 64                                    | West Noble    |    |
| 69                                    | Lakeland      |    |
| 75                                    | Central Noble |    |
| 88                                    | Angola        |    |
| 1st in Tingley Invite with 76 points  |               |    |
| 1st in Lakeland invite with 52 points |               |    |
| 1st in NECC Meet with 65 points       |               |    |
| 5th in the Sectional with 9 points    |               |    |

## Captures county meet



Junior High Track. **FRONT ROW:** Greg Sutton, Terry Wooster, Lee Beiswanger, Tony Summers, Perry Allen, Albert Friend, Dennis Miller, Darrel Halsey, Barry Friend, Mike Holden, Mike Hayward, Wayne Wells. **BACK ROW:** Mike Freed, Larry Wooster, Art Mackie, Rod Taylor, Chuck Spillner, Rusty Hall, Jeff Reese, Dan Merriman, Kevin Hoyer, Mike German.

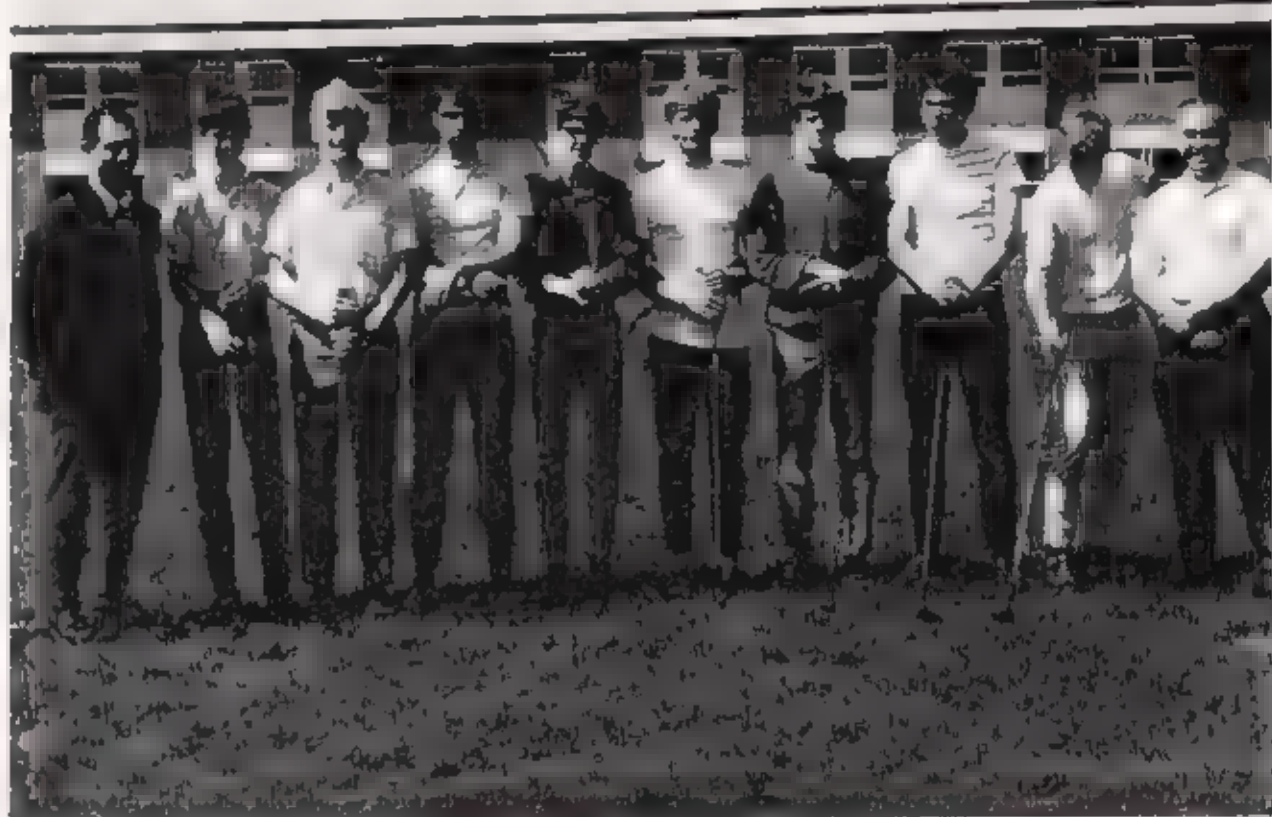
| Junior High Track |               |    |
|-------------------|---------------|----|
| Prairie           | Opponents     |    |
| 79                | Ashley        | 29 |
| 53                | Angola        |    |
| 43                | Westview      |    |
| 58                | Angola        |    |
| 60                | Freemont      |    |
| 55                | Hamilton      |    |
| 55                | Howe          |    |
| 55                | LaGrange      |    |
| 55                | Lima          |    |
| 55                | Howe          |    |
| 55                | Westview      |    |
| 55                | Lima          |    |
| 55                | LaGrange      |    |
| 46                | Rome City     |    |
| 46                | Westview      |    |
| 46                | LaGrange      |    |
| 46                | Lima          |    |
| 46                | Avilla        |    |
| 46                | Central Noble |    |
| 46                | West Noble    |    |

# Booth proves area best—team advancing



Larry Noll (The Great) attempts the golfer's dream—a hole-in one. Surprise! He did it.

We won five, were fifth in the conference, and fifth at the sectional. Yes, five was the number as the top five scored a just so season. It was many trips to the green but with Coaches Hostetler and Hepler the 18 hole walk was made relaxing and enjoyable. Both on the same course made the game become more challenging for the other seven high school players as he brought home Medalist honors in every match.



Golf. Coach Hostetler, S. Riegel, J. Walters, V. Fretz, K. Keyes, L. Noll, D. Booth, R. Fretz, R. Tracey, Coach Hepler.

|               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
| Dual Meets:   | won 5—lost 6   |
| Conference    | 8th out of 7   |
| New Prairie   |                |
| Invite        | 3rd out of 5   |
| Central Noble |                |
| Invite        | 10th out of 16 |



Accurate, precise, and packed like surgeon's tools, these clubs ride to the green in the Prairie Heights van.



# PHHS forms wrestling team



Sam and Randy Perkins demonstrate wrestling for a basketball crowd during halftime.

If you want to fight and not get in trouble for it join the school wrestling team. Wrestling is a brand new sport taken up by PHHS for the first time this year.

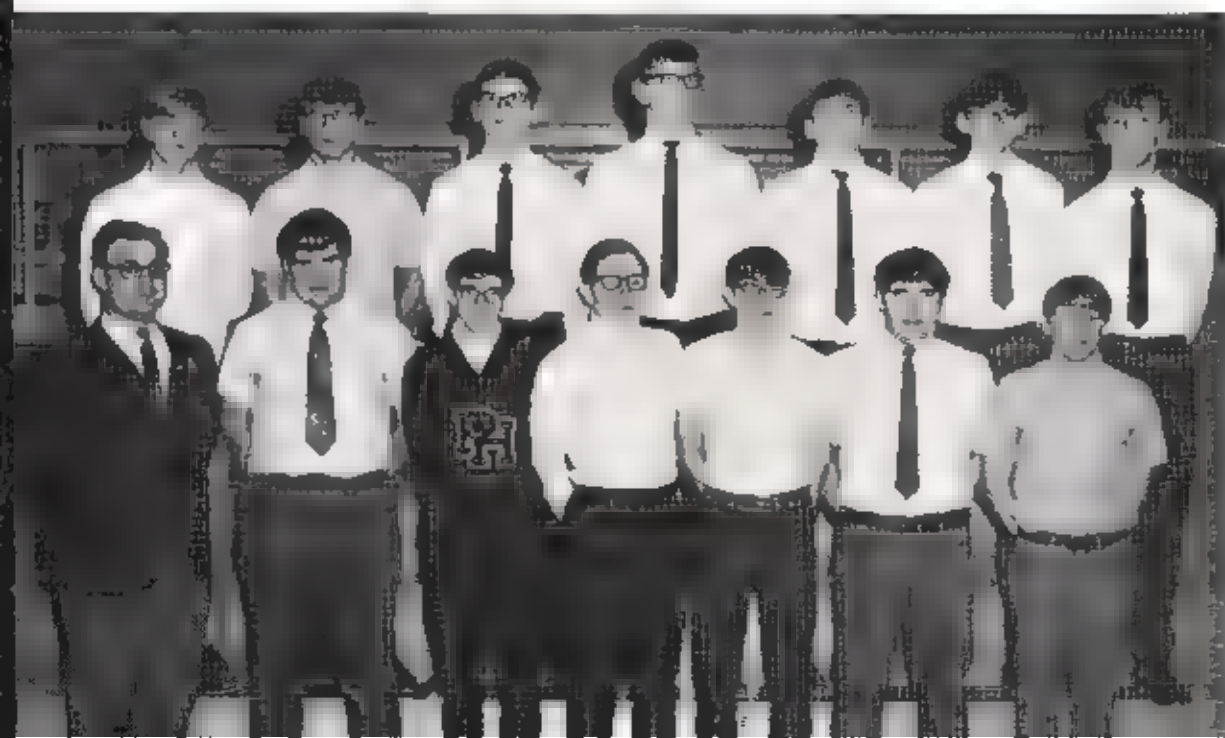
The Black Panther wrestling team enjoyed a tremendous season, especially for a beginning sport. Their final record stood at six wins and three losses. In the county meet Panthers snatched first place and in the Bi county second.

The PHHS wrestlers are Kris Keyes, Larry Begley, Al Miller, Dave Benson, Bob Rhinesmith, Randy Perkins, Vic Fretz, Sam Perkins, Jim Mills, Stan Notestine, Blake Shultz, and Laurel Rowe. This new sport was enthusiastically received by fans and students.



Sam Perkins in control of his man attempts a pin with a final thrust.

Wrestling. **FRONT ROW:** Coach Roush, B. Shultz, L. Begley, R. Taylor, K. Keyes, S. Notestine, A. Miller. **BACK ROW:** D. Benson, V. Fretz, R. Perkins, L. Rowe, S. Perkins, B. Rhinesmith, J. Mills.



| Weight | Opponents          |
|--------|--------------------|
| 71     | Ashley             |
| 53     | Angola             |
|        | Westview           |
|        | Angola             |
|        | Fremont            |
|        | Hamilton           |
|        | Howe               |
|        | LaGrange           |
|        | Lima               |
|        | Bicounty 2nd place |
|        | County 1st place   |

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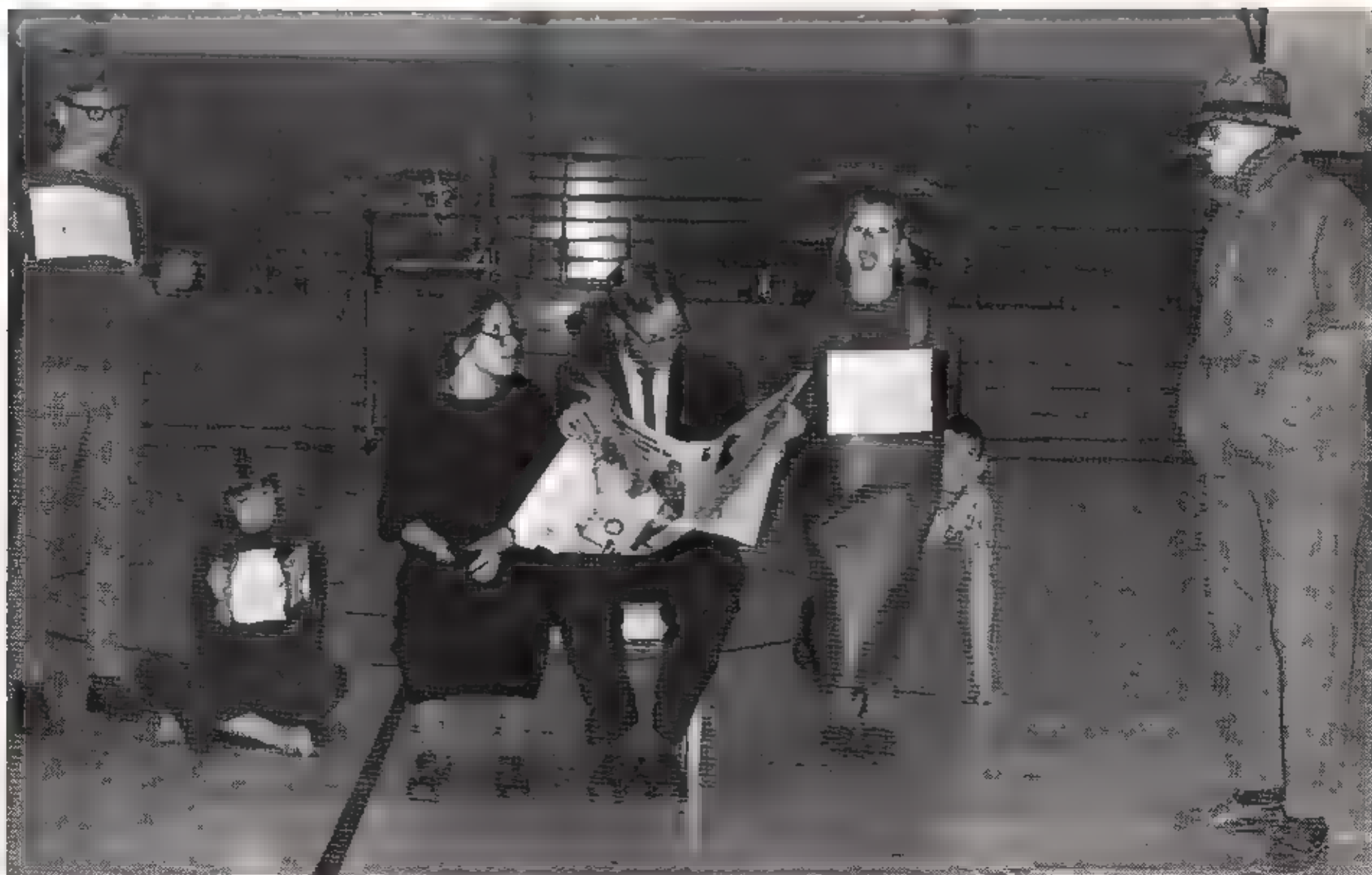
# ALBUM



Friends. Shared moments of happiness . . . hurt . . . impressions . . . dreams . . . Learning the wealth found in loyalty and the warmth of giving. Crying over the beauty of a poem or shrieking with laughter at the antics of the "clown." Sacrificing your wants, for those of another. Holding "rap" sessions, "chopping" town—becoming familiar with other's ideas and imparting with your own private thoughts.

Knowing the fun of blowing wind, melting sun and icy snow. Knowing the soul of music and of art.

Standing apart as individuals, yet blending as if one.



Recalling "past memories from life at dear old PHHS" are senior class members. The winning cast of this pep session skit included Don Rhinesmith,

Connie Hicks, Pam Housholder, Doug Bulter, Kris Smith, Gene Hall and Dave Bryant.

## Senior battle cry! V-i-c-t-o-r-y



Senior Class officers: Pam Housholder (Sec.), Dee Sellers (Treas.), Don Rhinesmith (Rep.), Jeff Holden (V-Pres.), Dave Bryant (Pres.), and Mr. Krebs (Spon.).





Beaming with pride, Dave Bryant, class president, accepts the spirit stick from Mr. Shirar.



ROW 1: DAWN ALBRIGHT: Science Club 2; FHA 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3; Chorus 1; Maj. 1,2,3; March of Dimes Queen Cand. 1; TIM ARMEY: FFA 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 3,4; Band 3,4; Chorus 3,4; Swing Choir 3,4; ARDYCE ANN ARZT: Band 2; GAA 1,2; Chorus 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2; ROW 2: KENTON BARKEY: Ind. Arts 2; AV Club 1,2,3 (Treas.); Track 1; Golf 2,3; Intra. Bowling 3; DIANA BECKER: Dramatics 1,2; FHA 1,2,3; Lang. Club 2; Band 1; Pom-Pom Corp. 2; Newspaper 2,3; GAA 1,2,3; DONALD DOUGLAS: Student Council 2,3,4; Lettermans Club 1,2 (Sec.) 3,4 (Pres.); Basketball 1,2,3,4 (Capt.); Baseball 1,2,3,4 (Capt.); Golf 2,3,4; King Cand. 2; ROW 3: GALE BOOTS: Ind. Arts 1,2; Pep Band 1; Band 1; Basketball 2,3; Football 3,4; Track 1,4; King Cand. 3; DUANE BOWMAN III: FFA 2; Ind. Arts 1,2; AV Club 3; Lettermans Club 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2; DIANA BROCK: Lib. Club 3; Yearbook Staff 4; FHA 3; Ind. Club 2,3,4; Lang. Club 1,2 (Pres.) 3 (Sec.) 4 (V-Pres.); Band 1; FFA 4; 4-H 1,2,3,4; ROW 4: DAVID BRYANT: Student Council 1,3; Pep Band 1,2,3,4 (Leader); Dramatics 2; Band 1,2,3 & 4 (V-Pres.); Chorus 1,2,3,4; Swing Choir 3,4; German Band 2; Director's Award 3; Class Office 2 & 4 (Pres.); DOUGLAS BUTLER: Pep Band 3,4; Dramatics 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2; Swing Choir 3,4; VICKIE CLEVENGER: Lib. Club 2; FHA 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; GAA 1,2; Chorus 1,2,3; Bowling Trophy 3



ROW 1: ANITA (DAVIS) CONEY: FFA  
PAULINE CONLEY: Yearbook Staff 4;  
FFA 2,3,4 (Sec.); Pep Club 2,3,4;  
Bookstore Staff 4; Lang. Club 2 (Sec.);  
Chorus 1; Cheerleading 1,4; Photo  
Club 3 (V-Pres.); Homecoming  
Queen 1; FFA 2,3,4 (Sec.);  
Treasurer 3. ROW 2: STEVEN DICK:  
Ind. Arts 2; AV Club 1,2,3,4; FFA  
Qualnunt 4; Football 1; Track 2;  
PENNY DELANCEY: Lib. Club 2,3,4;  
Science Club 2,3,4; NHS 3,4; FFA 2,  
3,4 (Sec.); Newspaper 4; FFA 4;  
CATHY (PUTNAM) DICK: GAA  
1,2,3,4; FFA 2,3,4 (Sec.);  
DOUGLAS DUNKEL: FFA 1,2,3,4; Let-  
termans Club 2,3,4; Manager: Basket-  
ball, Baseball, Football 2,3,4; JAMES  
ELLSWORTH: Lettermans Club 1,2,3,4;  
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4;  
Football 1,2,3,4; NHS 1,2,3,4;  
RONALD EVANS: Science Club 1,2,3,  
(V-Pres.) 4 (Pres.); Yearbook Staff 4;  
Boys State Rep. 3. ROW 4: DENNIS  
LAWSON: Baseball 1,2,3,4;  
Chorus 1,2,3,4; Swing Choir 3,4; NHS  
2,3,4; GLORIA FOLTZ: Pep Band 1,2,3,  
Band 1,2,3; GAA 1 (Pin); 2; Chorus 1;  
LISA GALLAWAY: Lib. Club 1,2,3,4;  
Pep Club 4; GAA 2,3.

Rhonda Sellers and Wendy VanWagner  
decorate Mr. Gilman's traditional Senior  
Christmas tree.





# Seniors' year brimmed with memories



Busy stuffing tissues in chicken wire, Debbie Merriman and Mary Kellett work on the senior class float.

ROW 1: SANDRA (KOEHLER) GAR-  
RINGER: AV Club 1,2,3; GAA 1,2,3  
STEVEN GAY: AV Club 4; Basketball  
1,2; Baseball 2,3; Football 1; Track 2;  
Rowing Club 3,4; Intra Bowling 1,1  
CHARLENE GILLEN: NHS 2,3,4; Lang.  
Club 1; GAA 1 (Pin-a-guard, Bowling  
Trophy); 2 (Sweater); 3 (Plaque, Bow-  
ling Trophy); 4; Cheerleader 3,4. ROW  
2: EDWARD GORDON: Lib. Club 1,2;  
Science Club 3,4; FFA 1,2,3 (Sentinel)  
4 (Treas.); AV Club 2,3,4; Mathematics  
Club 4; FTA 2; Football 3,4; 4-H 1,2,  
3,4 (Sec. & Treas.); DAVID GRAVIT:  
FFA 3; Ind. Arts 2; Intra. Bowling 3;  
RUTH GROPP: Lib. Club 2,3; AV Club  
1,2,3; FHA 4; Pep Club 1; ROW 3:  
DAN HALFERTY: Ind. Arts 1,2,3; GENE  
HALL: Ind. Arts 2; AV Club 1,2,3,4;  
SONDRA HALL: AV Club 2,3,4; Dra-  
matics 2; FHA 2,4; Pep Club 1,2,3;  
Chorus 1,2,3,4 (Pres.); Swing Choir 3;  
Homecoming Queen Cand. 4; ROW  
4: DEBRA HALSEY: Pep Club 1,2,3;  
Band 1,2; Newspaper 1; GAA 1,2,3;  
Chorus 1,2; Cheerleader 1,2,3; Class  
Office 2 (Treas.); MARY KATHRYN  
HAMMAN: Science Club 3,4; AV  
Club 1,2,3,4; Bookstore Staff 1,2,3  
(V-Pres.); GAA 2,3,4; FTA 4; JERRY  
HASTON



# Daughters of American Revolution choose senior girl

Among the many achievements and honors presented to members of the senior class was the DAR good citizenship award. All members of the class voted for three girls on the basis of character as well as their knowledge of history and current world events. A board of teachers then reviewed the nominees and made a final selection. Bonita Hunter was the recipient of the award and went on for county competition.

ROW 1: MARK FLATWATER: Ind. Arts 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2; Letterman's Club 3,4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Track 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 1,2,3,4. STANLEY HELMUTH: Student Council 1,2,3; Letterman's Club 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Class Office 1 (Pres.); CONNIE THICKS: Student Council 1,4; Yearbook Staff 4; FHA 2,3,4 (V-Pres.); Pep Club 1,2,4; GAA 1 (Pres.); 2 (Letter); 3,4; FFA 4; Quiddunc 3,4; Chorus 1,4; Photo Club 3 (Treas.); March of Dimes Queen Cand. 3; Betty Crocker Homemaker Award 4. ROW 2: EARL HIMES: Ind. Arts 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2; Chorus 1,2; Track 1,2; Intra-Bowling 1,4. JEFFERY HOLDEN: Ind. Arts 1,2,3,4; Letterman's Club 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,3,4; Golf 1,2,4; Class Office 2 & 4 (V-Pres.); BECKY HOLIDAY: Lib. Club 1,2,3 (Treas.); 4; AV Club 2,3,4; Pep Band 3,4; FHA 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Quiddunc 4; Chorus 2,4; 4-H 1,2 (Song Leader); 3 & 4 (V-Pres.); ROW 3: DENNIS HOLLOWELL: FFA 1,2; CONNIE HOUSHOLDER: Dramatics 1,2; FHA 1,2,3; Newspaper 2,3; GAA 1 (Pin-in-guard); 2 (Letter); 3; Chorus 1,2; Class Office 1 & 2 (Sec.); PAMELA HOUSHOLDER: Pom-Pom Corp. 1,2,3,4 (V-Pres.); GAA 1,2,3,4 (Pres.); Homecoming Queen Cand. 3; March of Dimes Queen 4; Class Office 4 (Sec.); ROW 4: MARLENE HOWE: Lib. Club 2,3,4 (Sec.); Yearbook Staff 4; NHS 3,4; Pep Club 2,3; Chorus 1,4-H 1 (Song Leader); 2 (Pres.); 3 & 4 (Sec.); KERRY HOYER: FFA 2,3; Ind. Arts 1,2; AV Club 2; Basketball 1; Track 1; Cross Country 1. BONITA HUNTER: Student Council 2; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 2,3 (Copy Ed.); 4 (Ed-in-Chief); NHS 2,3,4 (Sec.); Band 1,2,3 (Pres.); 4; Quiddunc 2 (Asst. Ed.); 3 (Ed-in-Chief); Maj. 1,2,3 (Pres.); 4; DAR Award 4; Class Office 3 (Reporter).







REBEY I. BEELY JAMES: AV Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 3; Lang. Club 3; Pom Pom Corp 2; GAA 2; Quilting 4; Photo Club 3, 4. RENEE JACOB: AV Club 1, 2, 3, 4; AV Club 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 3, 4; GAA 1 (Pin-n-guard), 2 (Letter), 3 (Sweater), 4; Swing Chorus 1. BERNIA (MELANIE) LAUMAN: Lib. Club 1, 2, 3; AV Club 1; Lang. Club 2, 3; GAA 1 (Pin-n-guard), 2 (Letter), 3 (Sweater). ROW: MARY KELLER: Lib. Club 2, 3 (Sec.), 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4. Newspaper 1; Lib. Award 3. JACQUELINE KEYES: Student Council 4; Dean's List 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Newspaper 1; GAA 1, 2, 3; Maj 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1 (Sewing Teacher), 2, 3 (Pres.); Band Concert Award 1, 3; Southern County Queen 4; March of Dimes Queen Cand. 1 (Sweater); Queen Cand. 1. RAYMOND KLINERMAN: HA 1, 2, 3; AV Club 1; Intra. Bowling 3; Trophy for Bowling 3. RICHARD 3: VIKAR KREICER: Lib. Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 1; Pom Pom Corp 1, 2, 3, 4 (Pres.); Newspaper 1; Lib. Award 2. MERLE KREICER: Ind. Arts 1; Boys Pep Club 4. ANN KRECHENBECKER: Lib. Club 1, 2; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 1 (Pin), 2 (Letter), 3 (Sweater), 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4. ROW 4. CAROL KURFZ: Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (Pres.); Bookstore Staff 4. SALLY (CLING) LEFEY: Lib. Club 1, 2, 3; NHS 3; Newspaper 1, 2, 3; Business Award 3; Class Officer 3 (Sec.). SUSAN LINTON: Lib. Club 1.



Reviewing a bulletin board, Bonita Hunter prepares for her DAR test which is required of all representatives.







ROW 1: REBECCA LUSK, Lib. Club 1,2,3 & 4 (Pres.); NHS 3,4 (Treas.); Pep Club 2,3,4; GAA 1,2,3,4; Quidnunc 4; DEBORAH MERRIMAN, Science Club 3 & 4 (Sec.); Pep Band 2,4; Dramatics 2,3; Band 1,2,3,4; Newspaper 3,4; 4-H 1 & 2 (Treas.); 3 (V-Pres.); 4 (Sec. Leader); JAMES MILLMAN, Ind. Arts 1,2; Lettermans Club 3,4; Football 2,3,4; ROW 2: JACK MULLY, Ind. Arts 2; LINDA MULLINS, AV Club 1,2,3; Long Club 2,3; GAA 1 (Pin-a-guard); 2 (kicker); 3; CYNTHIA NELSON, Lib. Club 1,2,3; AV Club 2,3 & 4 (Sec.); Dramatics 1,2,3; Newspaper 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2,3,4; Yearbook 4; ROW 3: RANDY NELSON, Science Club 1,2; Ind. Arts 2; AV Club 1,4; DEBBIE RICHIE, Pep Band 1,4; Yearbook Staff 4; Pep Club 2 (Pin. Band 1,2,3,4; Young Award 1; Text. Fashion Correspondent 4; ROW 4: PATTY PARR, Science Club 1; FFA 2,3; Ind. Arts 1,2,3; Golf 1; ROW 5: LYNNE DARTLINE PERKINS, Lib. Club 1,2,3,4; AV Club 2,3,4; Dramatics 1; GAA 2,3,4; Long Club 1,2; Newspaper 1; Quidnunc 4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; RANDY PERKINS, AV Club 1,2,3,4; Lettermans Club 4; Football 3,4; Track 1; SAM PERKINS, FFA 1,2,3 (Treas.); 4 (Pres.); Band 1,2,3,4; Lettermans Club 1,2,3; Sec. & Treas. 1; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 3,4; Swing Choir 1,2,3,4; Physical Fitness 3,4

## Tearful but jubilant cheers fill homecoming

Dancing to the AVCR at the Homecoming victory hop, Cindy Strawser shares the feeling of triumph enjoyed by the Panthers.







ROW 1: KAREN PETTYJOHN: Home-  
 coming Queen Cand. 4; At Desk;   
 Student Council 2; Pep Club 2;   
 Chorus 2,3; Swing Choir 2,3; Teen 1  
 1,2; J.H.C. 3. AARON PEARMAN:  
 FFA 1,2,3 (V-Pres.); 4 (Sec.); Bookstore  
 Staff 4; 4-H 1,2,3,4; Jr. Leader 1,2,3,4  
 JAMEE PIKE: Dramatics 2,3; Pep Club  
 4 (Sec.); Bookstore Staff 4; CAA 1,4  
 ROW 2: SHARON RANSBURG: Band  
 1,2; Pom-Pom Corp. 2,3 (Pres.); Chorus  
 3. SHERYL REED: Student Council  
 FFA 1,2; Newspaper 1,2,3; CAA  
 1,2; Chorus 1,2,3,4. SCOTT REED:  
 Science Club 3 (Pres.); 4; Student  
 Council 2,4; Ind. Arts 1,2,4; Yearbook  
 Staff 1,4; News 2,3,4 (Pres.); Letterman's  
 Club 1,2,3,4; Quiddie 2; Chorus 1,2;  
 Basketball 1; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 2,  
 3,4; Physical Fitness 2,3,4; Jr. Alternate  
 Boys State. ATOV 1. DON RHINE-  
 SMITH: AV Club 3,4; Letterman's  
 Club 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Cross  
 Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,3,4; Class  
 Office 4 (Reporter). MICHAEL  
 RHOADES: FFA 1,2,3,4; Quiddie 3,4  
 Golf 2,4. PATRICIA RICHARDS: Lib  
 Club 1,2; FFA 1,4; Pom-Pom Corp. 2,  
 3,4; FFA 4; Chorus 3,4; 4-H 1,2,3,4;  
 FFA Queen Cand. 3. ROW 4  
 CHARLES RUDE: FFA 1,2,3,4. STEVEN  
 SCHMITZ: Ind. Arts 1; AV Club 2,3,4  
 DEE SELLERS: Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Band  
 1; CAA 2,3,4 (Point Chairwoman); FFA  
 4; Cheerleader 3,4; 4-H 1,2,3,4; Class  
 Office 4 (Treas.)



Glowing Sondra Hall and Karen Petty-  
 john represented the senior class for  
 Homecoming queen. They were es-  
 corted in the half-time parade by Mr.  
 Fuller.





# Seniors make all-conference sports

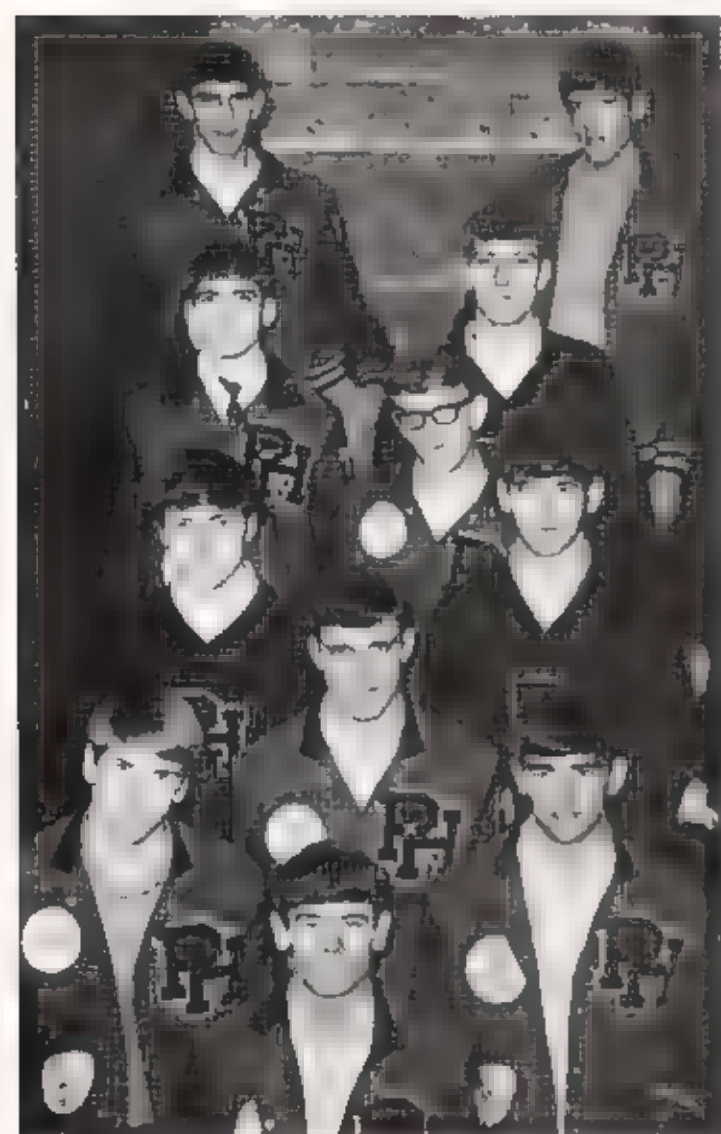
Grueling hours of practice paid off as eleven Prairie Heights seniors were named to the all-conference list. They excelled in such sports as football, baseball, basketball, golf, track, and cross country. This contributed to making our Athletic Department well rounded and tops among other Athletic Departments in the area.

Talent, hard work, and enthusiasm added by these boys, cheerleaders, pep club, and pep band helped to make our Panther team a big success. Their strong devotion never wavered as they strived for winning scoreboards.

ROSE J. KIRCHNER: SPHS 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 1 (Pin) 2 (Sweater) 3, 4; FFA 3, 4; Chorus 1; Ch. 1, 4; Band Scholarship 4  
 SCHAEFER: Lib. Club 1, AV Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Pom Pom Corp 2; Chorus 4; Swing Choir 4; JAMIE STAKE: Science Club 4 (V-Pres.); Student Council 3 (Treas.); NHS 3, 4; FFA 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Newspaper 1, 2; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Quadrant 2, 3 (Ed.) 4 (Ed.); Chorus leader 2, 3, 4; RCW  
 SCHULTZ: Science Club 4; Student Council 4 (Pres.); Yearbook Staff 3, 4; NHS 3, 4 (V-Pres.); Dramatics 2, 3; Letterman's Club 3, 4; Newspaper 2; Football 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Physical Fitness 2, 3, 4; Intra. Bowling 3, 4; Photo Club 1, 4; Class Officers 1 (Sec.), 3 (Pres.)  
 DIANA SHELL: Lib. Club 1, 2; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; JERRY SIMON: RCW 3  
 CHRISTINE SARTRE: Pep Band 1, 2; Yearbook Staff 4; Dramatics 2, 3; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Lang. Club 2, 3; Band 1, 2; Pom Pom Corp 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Quadrant 3 & 4 (Art Ed.); Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4  
 LARRY SPERO: Ind. Arts 1, 2, 3, 4; Ch. 3; Pep Band 3, 4; Dramatic Band 1, 2, 3, 4 (Sec.); Chorus Basketball 1, 2; Baseball 1; Cross Country 1, 2; Intra. B...  
 Drama Club Award 2, LINDA SPILLER: Pep Band 3; FFA 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Cheerleader 1; V... 1, 2, 3; Homecoming Queen Cand. 3; Sweetheart Queen Cand. 2, 3; RCW 4; DAVID STAFFE: FFA  
 CYNTHIA STRAWSER: Lib. Club 1, 2; Pep Club 1, 2, 3; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4; Lib. Award 2; PATRICIA SUTTON: Lib. Club 1, 2; Pep Club 2, 3; Pom Pom Corp 2







ROW 1: BERITA TERRY, Lib. Club 1  
 3, DENNIS DEORP, Dramatics 1  
 Long. Club 3; Newspaper 2,3,4; A-  
 FFA 1,2,3 & 4 (Pres.); Quadrangle 4  
 Theaters Institute 3; Speech Cont.  
 (1st place) 4; WENDY VAN WAGNER  
 FFA 2,3,4; Pep Club 3 (Treas.); 4, Cho-  
 rus 4; A-H 1,2,3 (V. Pres.); 4, GARY  
 WALTON, Student Council 4 (V-  
 Pres.); Lettermans Club 2,3,4; Chorus  
 1; Basketball 1,2,3,4; GARY WAR-  
 RING, FFA 1,4; Ind. Arts 1,2; Letter-  
 mans Club 3,4; Track 1,2,3; Cross  
 Country 3; ROW 2: LARRY WAT-  
 KINS, AV Club 2,3,4; Lettermans Club  
 2,4; Chorus 1,2; Basketball 2,3,4; FOOT-  
 BALL; DEBRA WEISS, Student Coun-  
 cil 1; Band 1; Newspaper 2; GAA  
 1; Band 1; Card Coor. 1; 2, 3, 4  
 ent 3; Girls State Rep. 3; MELBA  
 WILKER, Lib. Club 2,3,4; FFA 3,4  
 Newspaper 1,2; MARSHA WILKER  
 Lib. Club 4; Dramatics 2; FFA 2; Pep  
 Club 4; Long. Club 1,2; Newspaper 1,  
 1,3; FFA 3,4; Photo Club 3; NANCY  
 WEST, ROW 3: MEL WREN, Lib. Club  
 2; Student Council 2; Dramatics 1,2,3,  
 FFA 2,3 (V-Pres.); 4; Pep Club  
 Band 1,2,3,4; Newspaper 3,4; GAA 1  
 2,3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; March of Dimes  
 Green Card 2



Constant effort was rewarded as these boys  
 were named to the all-conference sports'  
 list: Gary Walton (Football); Jeff Holden  
 (Baseball, Basketball); Sam Perkins (Foot-  
 ball); Mel Watkins (Football); Don Rhine-  
 smith (Track, Cross Country); Jim Milleman  
 (Football); Gale Boots (Football); Stan Hel-  
 muth (Baseball); Jim Ellsworth (Football,  
 Baseball); Duane Bowman (Football, Base-  
 ball); Doug Booth (Golf, Baseball, Basket-  
 ball).



"The Great Pumpkin," a unique idea for a skit, was presented by the Junior Class.

## Long awaited class rings finally arrive

The juniors worked together to exceed last year's class in magazine sales. Their sales came to a grand total of \$2841.81. Because of their great salesmanship, many of the juniors attended the hockey game in Fort Wayne.

The anxiously awaited class rings finally arrived in October, adding still another memory to the junior year.

While tensions rose before the night of the prom, juniors buckled down to make the night a big success. The theme for the 1970 prom was "An Enchanted Forest." Thanks to the junior class this will remain a treasured memory of our school years.

As the 1970 school year drew to a close, the juniors turned expectant eyes to their last and greatest year.



Junior class officers and sponsors: Jerry Graham, Kathy Conner, Linda Lash, LuAnne Krebs, Mr. Weaver, and Mr. Rubley.



Barbara Aaron  
Erich Albright  
Cathy Allen  
Brian Barnes  
Don Beard



Sheldon Begley  
David Beiswanger  
Rebecca Brown  
Vicky Bryant  
Dixie Carpenter



Carni Chamberlin  
Hugh Chester  
Karen Cline  
J. W. Combs  
Kathy Conner



Sally Dailey  
Becky Darr  
Alice Dauberman  
Rickie Deetz  
Lee Diehl



Bob Downam  
Joyce Dunkel  
Dan Elkins  
John Elkins  
Rexanna Ernsberger



David Forker  
Mike Forker  
Joyce Fourman  
Gary Frehse  
Russel Fretz



Vic Fretz  
Steve Garman  
Preskel Gayheart  
Deborah Garman  
Larry Gibson

# Juniors like to be where the action is

Lee Diehl seems to be fascinated by the gloomy atmosphere of "The Castle", the library at Saint Francis College.



Ruth Glasgow  
Jean Grabill



Jerry Graham  
Connie Gunning



Larry Halsey  
Barbara Hamman



Kathy Harr  
Karen Hart  
Janet Hartman  
Janice Hartman  
Ned Hayward



Linda Henderson  
Pamela Hill  
Terri Hoyer  
Charles Huff  
Rick Jaquay



Dwayne Johnson  
Beverly Jones  
Patti Kain  
Paul Kassee  
Alan Knisely







Renee Kocher  
Cindy Koehler  
Luanne Krebs  
David Langley  
Linda Lash



Roger Leaders  
Thomas Leitch  
Terry Levitz  
Deborah Lewis  
JoAnn Lockhart



LuAnn Long  
Gene Mast  
Janice McQuown  
Dawn Merriman  
Mary Mishler



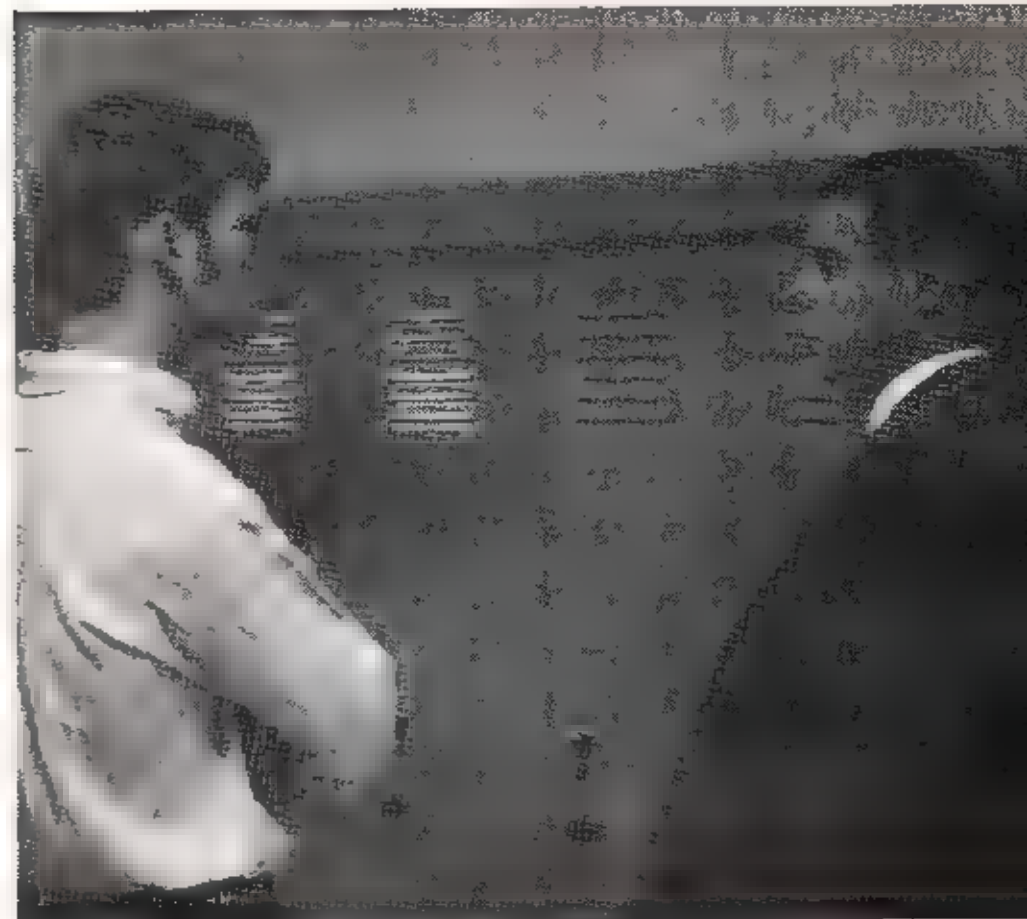
Dave Neeley  
Larry Noll



Denny Northup  
Ronald Northup



Stan Notestine  
Carol Pankop



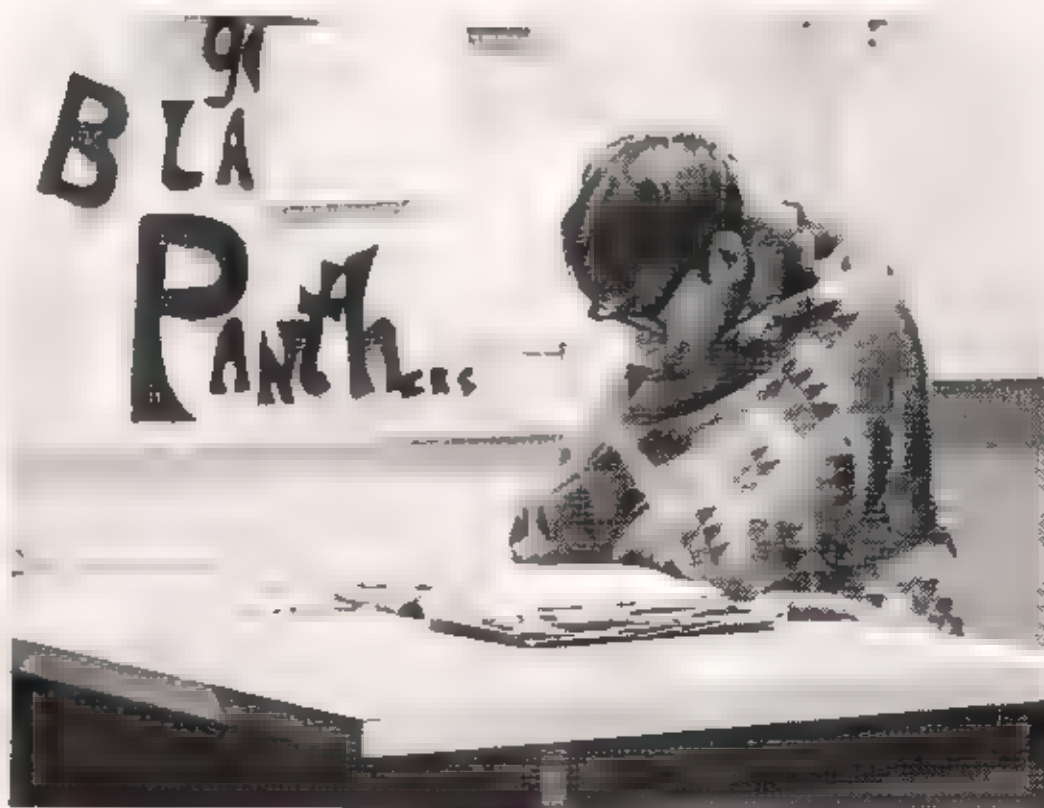
Larry Noll and Mr. Grabill are deeply involved in conversation. Wonder what or whom they are talking about?

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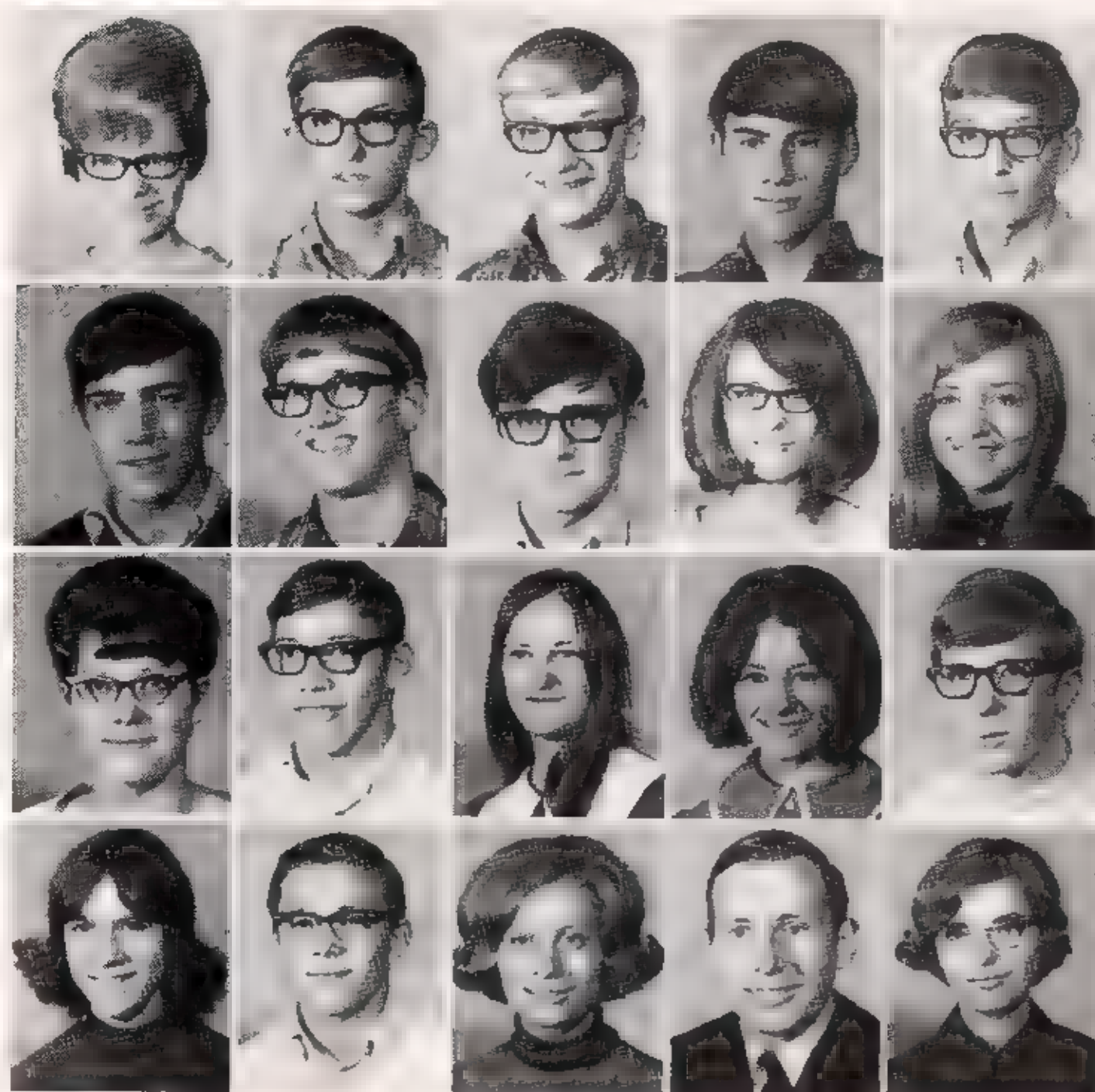
A sweet bippy—what is a sweet bippy? Well, a sweet bippy is a secret weapon used by the Junior class to inspire their members during magazine sales. We're not exactly sure what a sweet bippy is, but we do know it is some kind of thing-a-ma-bob that the high-selling Juniors carried to classes each day to promote sales. We may not be sure what a sweet bippy is, but it sure worked for the Juniors. Take a look at their sales record. By the way, does a sweet bippy bite?

The Juniors are a fun-loving set, that enjoy dances and other vigorous activities. They love to be where the action is and they always seem to have fun.

The juniors worked hard to make their 11th year what it was. We hope they continue the good work when they enter the halls of Prairie Heights for their last eventful year.



Trying to keep warm and to study for that test next hour, is not exactly easy for Dan Rhinesmith.



Mary Pelfrey  
Randy Perkins  
William Price  
Charlie Rasler  
Dan Rhinesmith

Lee Richards  
Laurel Rowe  
Michael Rowe  
Rose Schuhler  
Lila Shaffer

Carol Shipe  
Lon Shipe  
Charlotte Sobasky  
Susan Spade  
Larry Stalf

Karen Stapleton  
Melvin Stayner  
Kathye Streb  
Richard Taylor  
Deborah Tracey





Michael Tropp  
Patricia Troyer  
Cynthia Walton



Caroline Werner  
Doug Wilder  
Steven Wilder  
Barbara Willits



Working under cover at the Taylor's barn looks like fun for these juniors.



Sophomore class holds a mock wedding at pep session. Doesn't the bride look cute?

## Sophomores bubble over with pep and vitality

The Sophomores were leaders in school spirit. Their class bubbled over with pep and vitality as they always backed their team one hundred per cent. As a reward for their high degree of school spirit, the Sophomore class received the spirit stick several times. To demonstrate their superior spirit, a few Sophomore boys dribbled a basketball all of the way to DeKalb High School on sectional night. It takes a tremendous amount of dedication for your school and for your team to attempt something like this in cold weather.

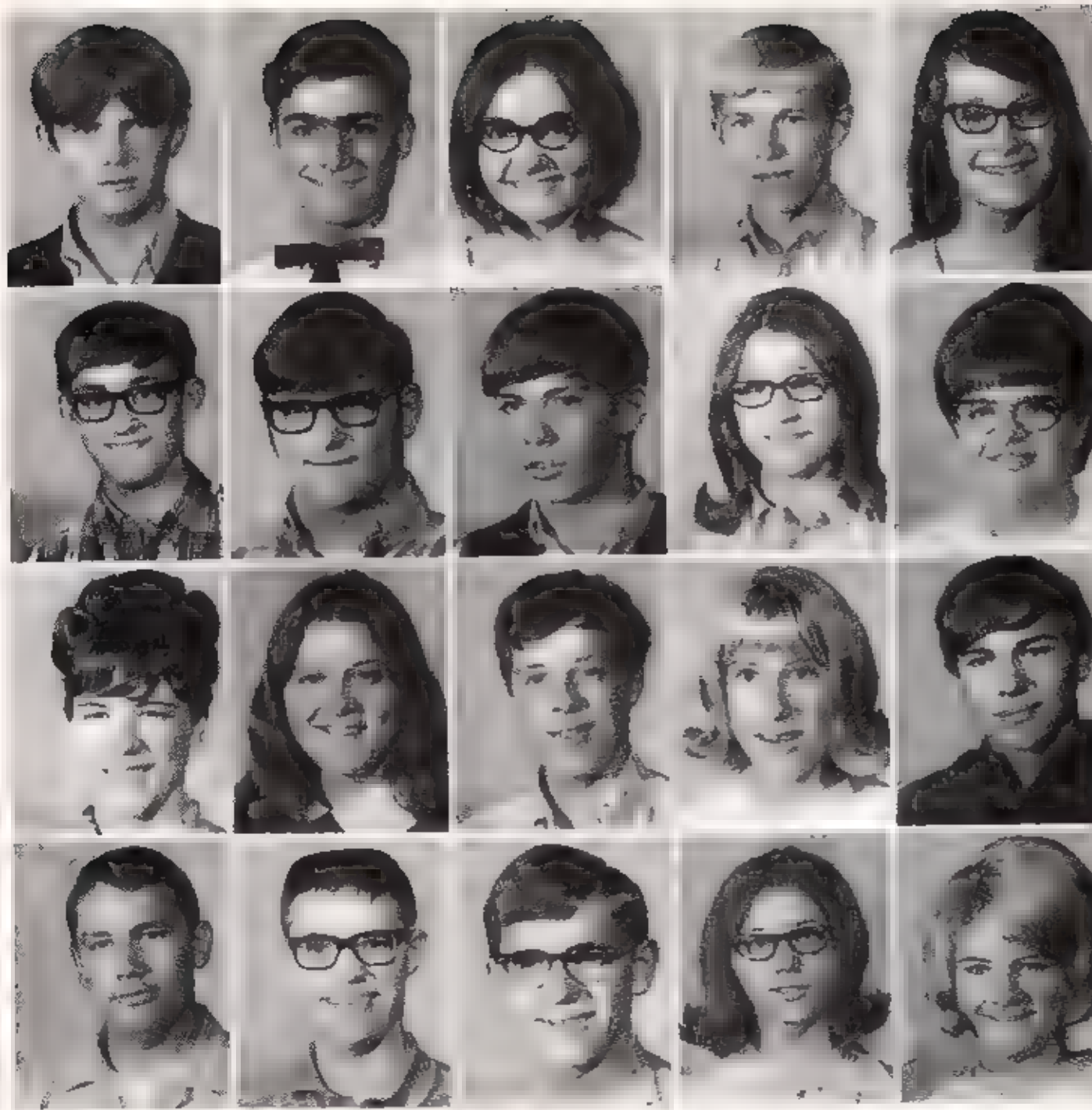
During basketball season the Sophomores sacrificed their time to operate a coat check. The profits of this will go toward the prom, which the Sophomores will be in charge of next year.

Keep up the good work Sophomores!



Sponsors and class officers of the Sophomore class are: R. Tracey (Pres.), Mr. Wagner, Miss Wall, Miss Evans (Sponsors), K. Kellett (Treas.), J. VanWagner (V-Pres.), D. Borden (Sec.), M. Cline (Reporter).





Monte Austin  
 Danny Barker  
 Carol Beer  
 Dave Benson  
 Velma Bontrager

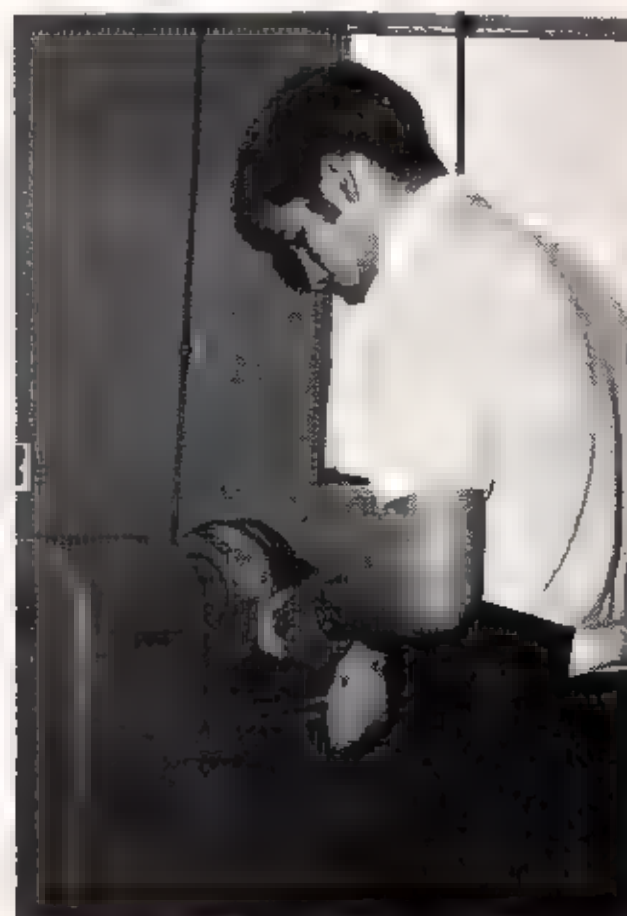
Verlo Bontrager  
 Michael Booher  
 Doug Borden  
 Star Bowman  
 Kathi Boyer

Debra Brock  
 Jean Burtch  
 Tommy Burtch  
 Merri Carpenter  
 Gary Carr

Wade Castator  
 Wayne Chowning  
 Keith Chrysler  
 Kathy Clay  
 Kathy Clevenger

Sophomores present their float "Breakfast of Champions," at Homecoming. They worked hard on this eye-catching creation.

Rick Tracey is absorbed in operating a wood lay during Industrial Arts. This is an example of the work done in this class.



Marilyn Cline  
Doyle Coney  
Michael Coney  
Pamela Coney  
Janie Conley



Marvin Conley  
Ray Conley  
Patricia Courtney  
Rick Dangler  
Robert Davis



Jerry Dickerson  
Joel Diehl  
Bill Eberhard  
Susan Ernsberger  
Marsha Faust



Becky Fifer  
Michael Fisher  
Cindy Freed  
Edward Freed  
Robert Freeman



Debbie Friend  
Alan Fries  
James Fuller  
Rainelle Gordon  
Peggy Gunning



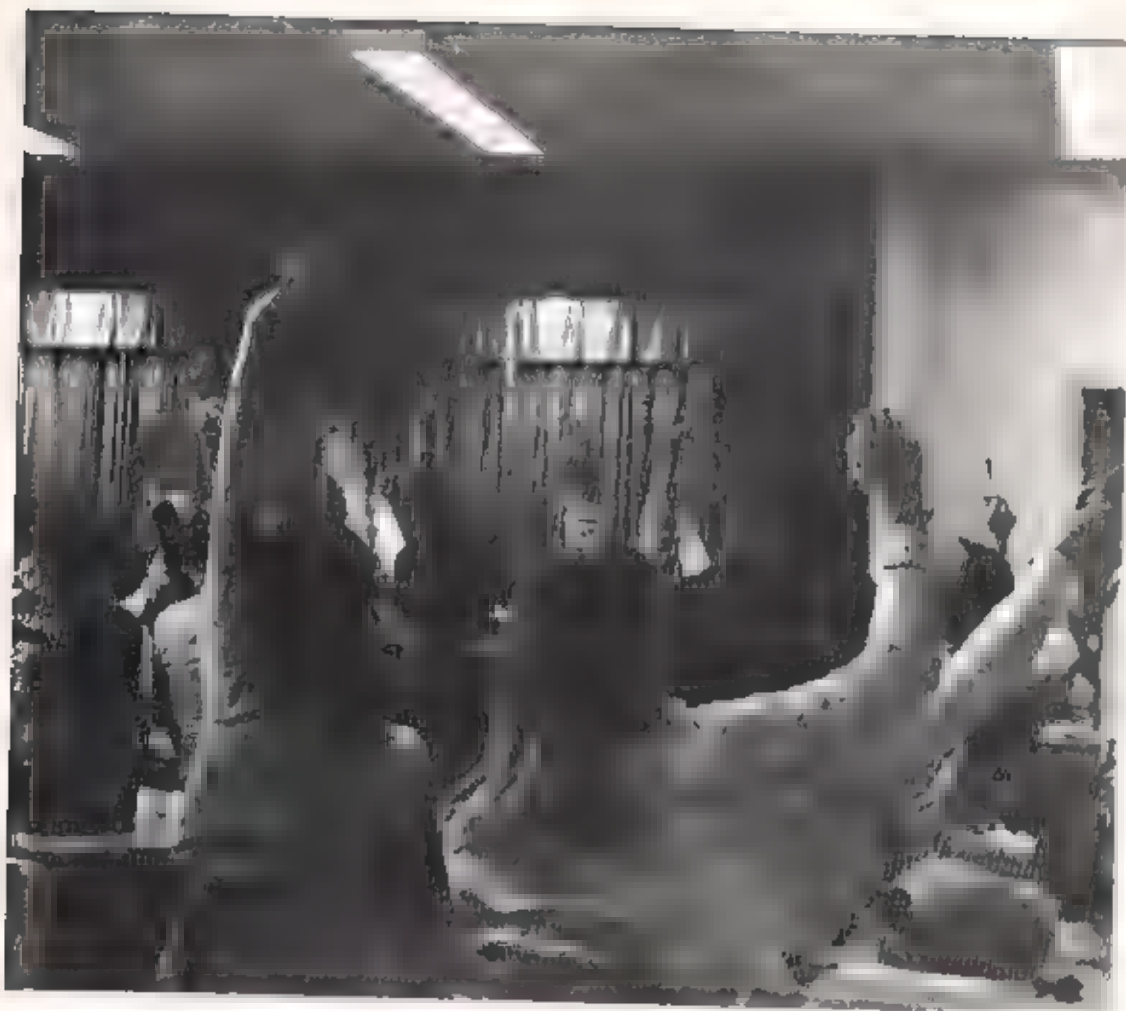
Bruce Hart  
Joy Hayward  
Linda Hicks  
Gary Hollowell  
Jack Hughes



Sandra Hughes  
David James  
Dennis Johnson  
Doug Jones  
Kim Kellett







Sophomores anxiously raise their hands to signify that they are ready to order their class rings.

## Rings arrive in May

"Does it look right on my finger? Do you like the aquamarine or the green diamond cut? How are we going to decide?" exclaim the excited sophomores!

This is the highlight of the Sophomore year, the moment that each and every soph anxiously awaits. This is the ordering of class rings!

It's hard to make the final decision, but at last it's reached. Then you have to wait until your Junior year before you see your ring—Right? Wrong! Lucky Sophomores received their rings in May and put an end to the agony of waiting.



Krls Keyes  
Debbie Kimpel  
Greg Kline  
Mark Krieger  
Doug Kuhn

Connie Langley  
Debbie Levitz  
Cindy Loucks  
Rick Mikkelsen  
Alan Miller

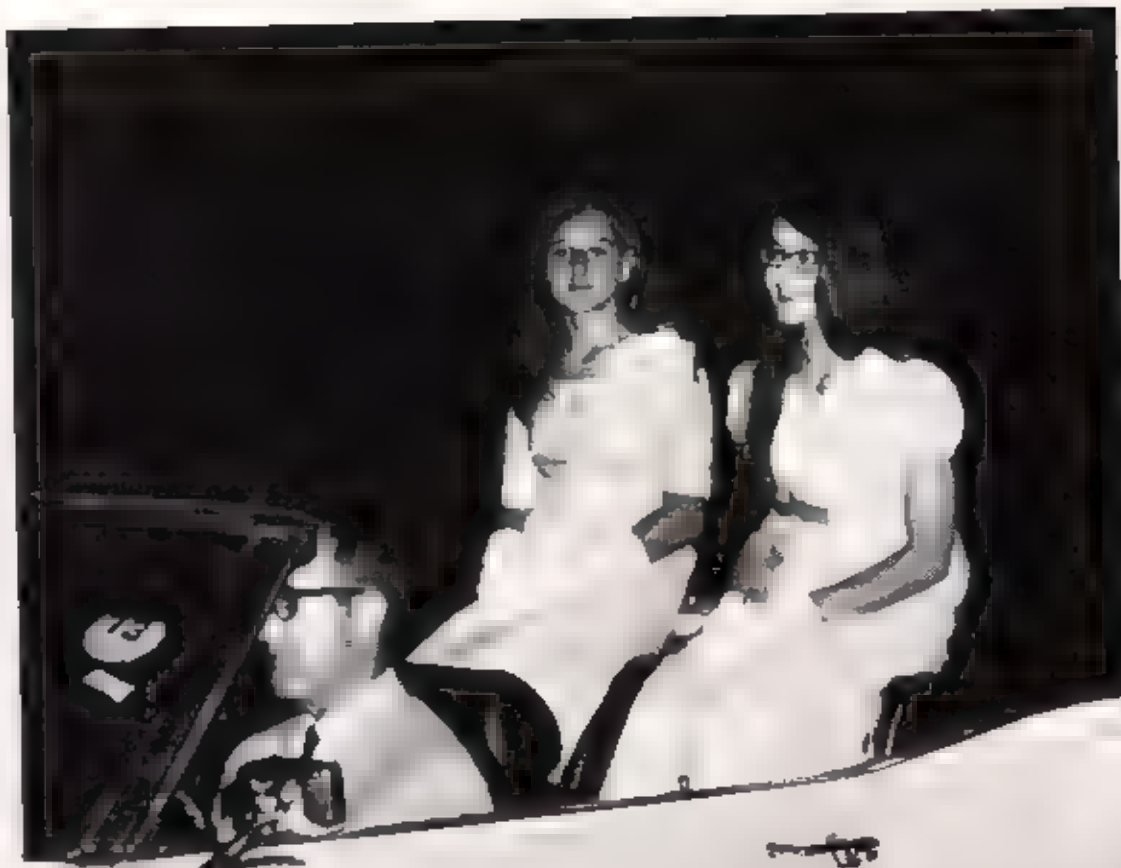
Harold Myers  
Jane Mynhier  
Terry Northup  
Kathy Parker  
Carolyn Pike

Rosalie Pike  
Sharon Prentice  
Dale Prough  
Richard Pusti  
Joyce Ransburg

# Sophomores have party in May

The Sophomores, a fun loving gang, had one big smash of a party on May 8. Part of the party was held in the gym and the remainder of it outdoors. A romantic mood was created by the huge bonfire burning outdoors. The fire cast flickering shadows in the darkness and weaved a spell around the sophomores. It was fun outdoors, but eventually sophomore stomachs reminded them that there was food waiting inside.

Inside, there was music in the air as the sophomores danced to their heart's content. All in all, it turned out to be a great success.



Sophomore Homecoming queen candidates, Velma Bontrager and Joyce Rowe are escorted by Mr. Young.



Vickie Ransburg  
Carla Rettinger  
Bob Rhinesmith  
Nila Rhoades  
Stephen Riegel

Linda Rigg  
Joyce Rowe  
Carl Sain  
Mike Sassanella  
Martha Showalter

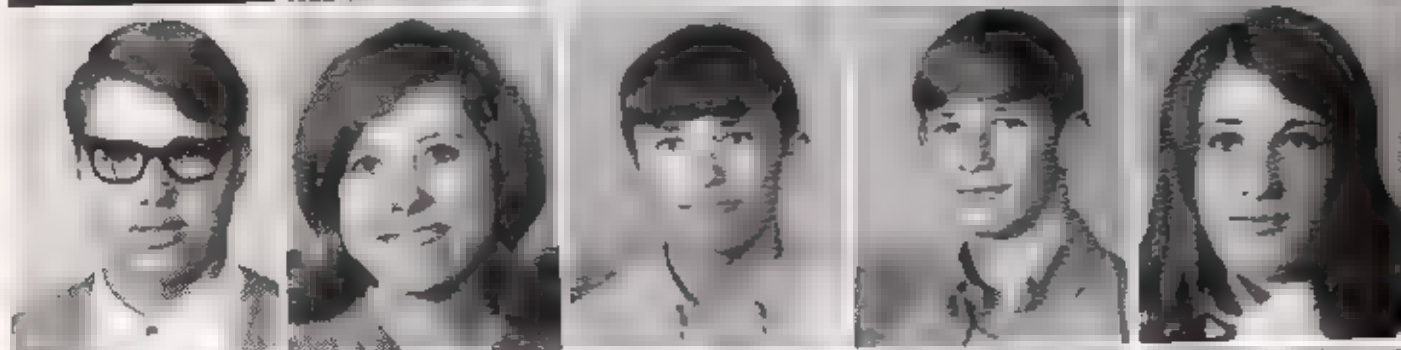
Mark Shultz  
Greg Silver  
Donna Simon  
Mary Skeels  
Larry Snyder

Katina Sobasky  
Dean Spencer  
Kay Spillner  
Vickie Stauffer  
Floyd Stayner





Randy Sutton  
Dewayne Thrush  
Rick Tracey  
Dave Traster  
Randy Troyer



Roger Tubbs  
Debra Turner  
Dean Twitchell  
Gale VanWagner  
JoAnn VanWagner



Randy VanWagner  
Joe Walter  
Susan Warring  
Rose Watkins  
Ace Weaver



Janet Willms  
Terry Witham  
Rex Wooster

Floyd Stayner and Joel Diehl take care of Gerbels in the greenhouse.





Freshman class officers: Mr. Smeltzer, sponsor; Randy Noll, secretary; Jr. Sutton, treasurer; Larry Begley, president; Brian Tracey, vice president.

## Freshmen start high school career

The Freshmen year is a proud year, for it is the beginning of the high school career. Freshmen move to the downstairs halls of PHHS with a feeling of expectancy tinged with a little fear in their hearts. Finally and at last they have made it! Freshmen—they were in high school! This fact filled them with delight and they plunged into high school activities, a little hesitantly at first, but as time passed their confidence increased rapidly.

It naturally took a while for the Freshmen to feel sure of themselves, but eventually they felt as if they belonged. They were more on their own, and it was a little rougher downstairs, but the new Freshmen adjusted well to the slight change in atmosphere. They faced the next four years with hope and confidence.



Charlene Bolen and Jeff German representing the Freshman class demonstrate how "weak and babyish" the Cadet team will be for the mighty Panthers to defeat.



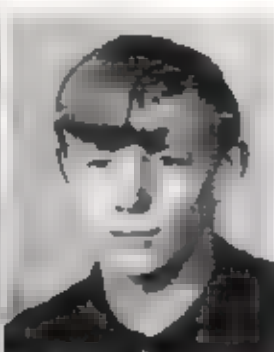
Janet Aaron  
Kathy Anderson  
Pam Baad  
RoxAnne Bailer  
Shelly Barroquillo



Debbie Becker  
Larry Begley  
Lang Beiswanger  
Rick Blankenship  
Linda Blankenship



Charlene Bolen  
Paul Bolinger  
Kathy Brown  
Ruby Brown  
Blaine Burnham



Dennis Canon  
Cheryl Cattell  
Larry Combs  
Larry Coker  
Darla Coney



Marilyn Coney  
Rebecca Coney  
Brenda Conley  
Ella Conley  
Jim Cowley



Pamela Crawford  
Elaine Danning  
Bruce Davis  
Thomas Davis  
Marsha Day



Glenn DeGraw  
Roberta DeLancey  
Chuck Denton  
Joseph Dunkel  
Denver Elliott



Kathleen Everidge  
Cheryl Faust  
Richard Foltz  
Debbie Fourman  
Lowell Freed



Marilyn Freed  
Kevin Frey  
Dennis Friedel  
Roberta Fry  
Marilyn Gage



Cindy Garman  
Christine Gayheart  
Ethel Gayheart  
Catherine German  
Greg German

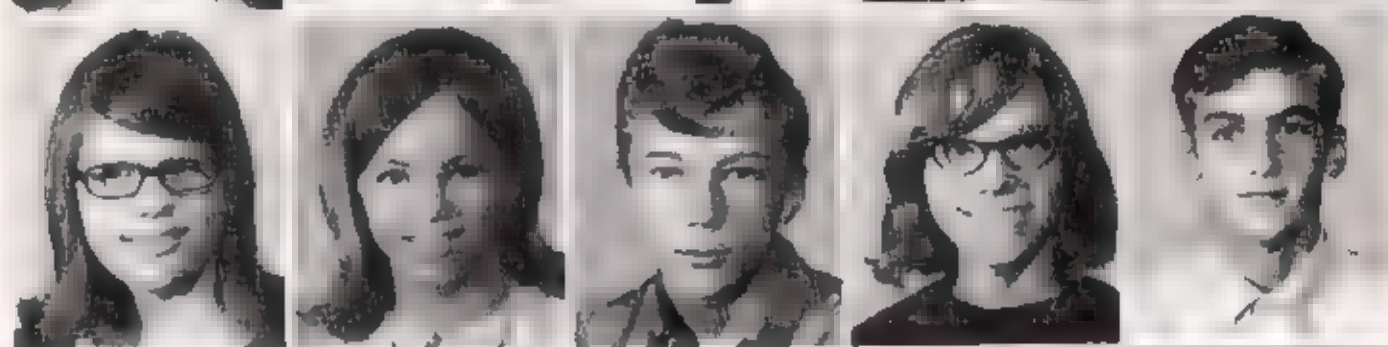


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Steve Glasgow  
Debbie Goldsmith  
Jeffery Goudy

Sherry Gravit  
Teresa Green  
Gregg Guinn  
Debbie Hall  
Pamela Hall



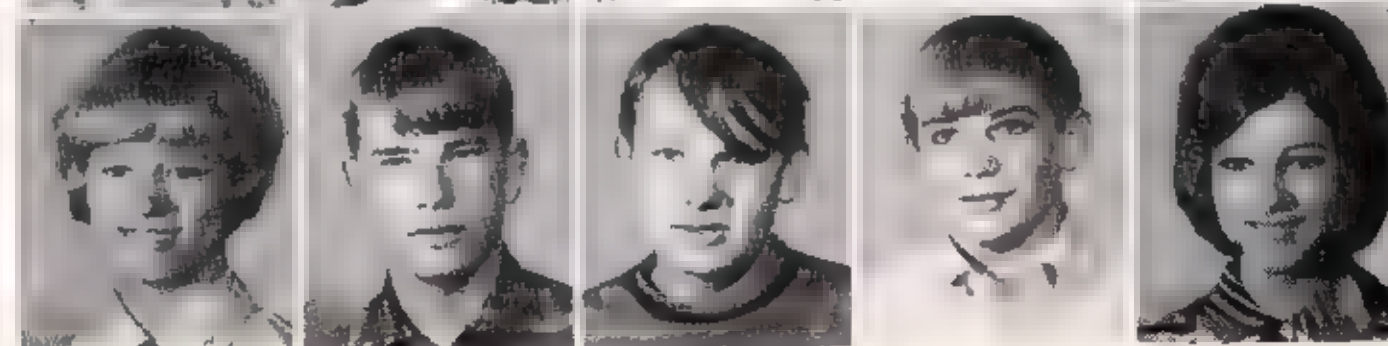
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Nancy Halsey  
Duane Hartman  
Peggy Hartman  
Douglas Hill



Ronnie Holiday  
David Houch  
Martha Howe  
Jack Hughes  
Sherri Hughes



Linda Johnson  
Ricky Kain  
Leon Kassee  
Kevin Kellett  
Toni Keyes



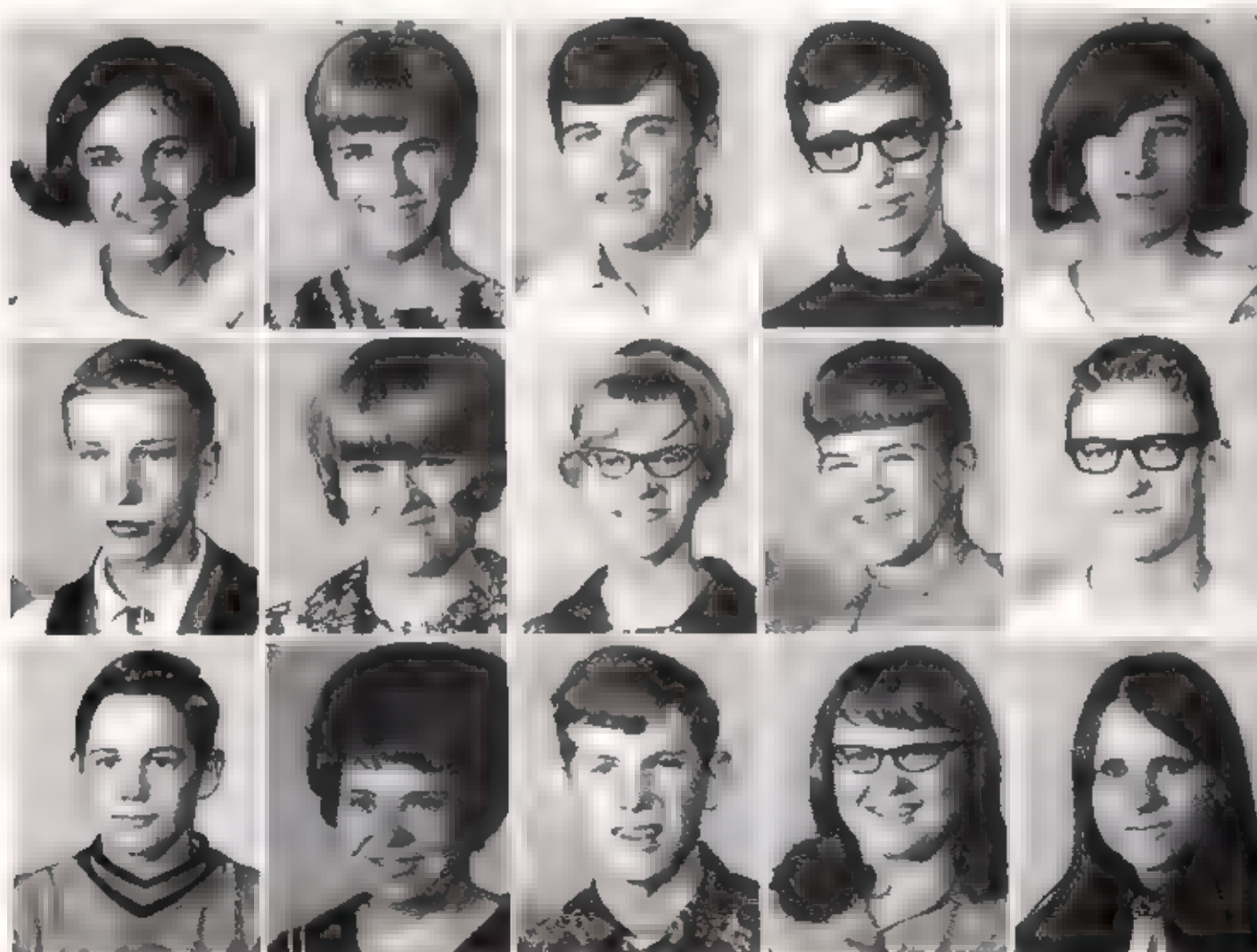




Majorette Sue Norman in baseball routine

Future track star, Lang Beiswinger, performs.

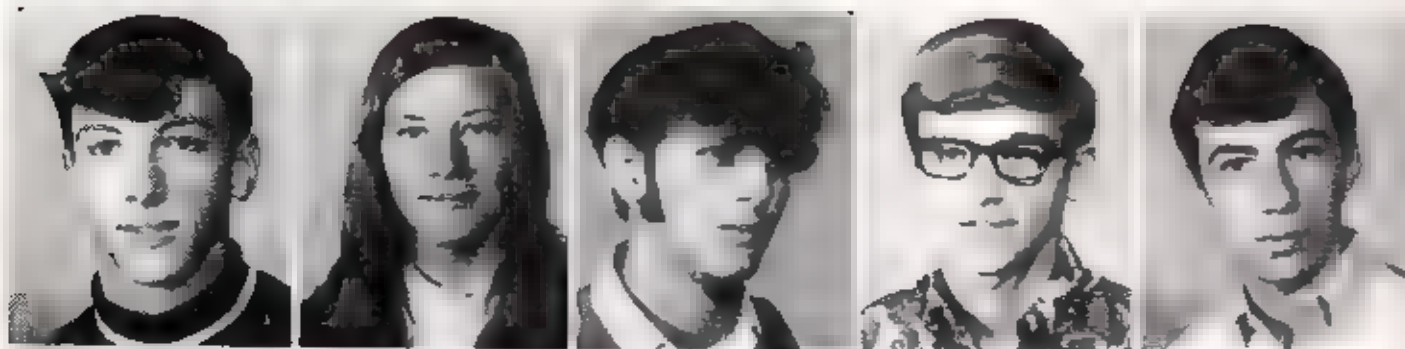
## Freshmen class is active



Lori Krebs  
Amy Kurtz  
Norman Lash  
Tom Leaders  
Deborah Lee

Bobby Lockhart  
Sandy Luttmann  
Mellissa McKown  
Cecil Messer  
Lonnie Messer

Brian Milleman  
Cindy Miller  
Clyde Miller  
Kim Miller  
Marlene Miller



James Mills  
Wendy Myers  
Chuck Nelson  
Kevin Nelson  
Mike Nelson

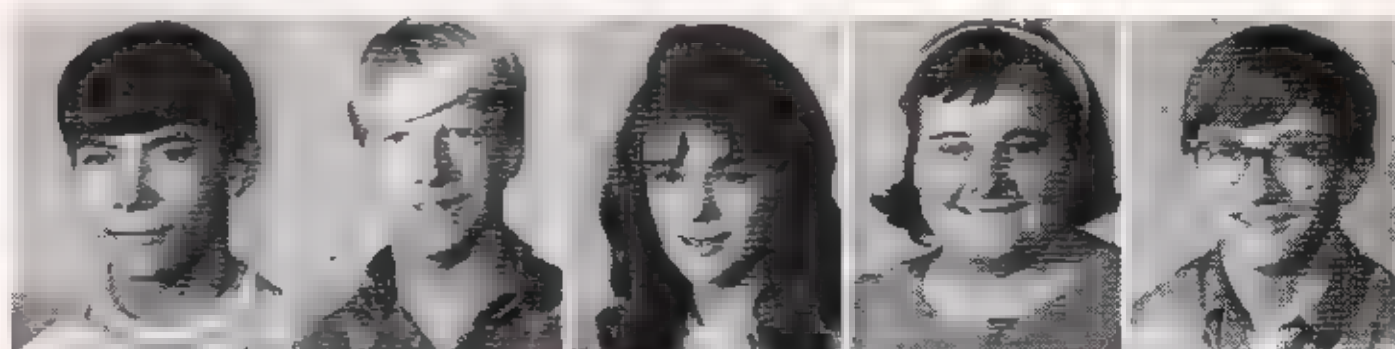


Ellen Nesbitt  
Dianne Nichols  
Randy Noll  
Sue Nrmann  
Vonda Owsley



Joyce Parker  
Gregory Penrod  
Don Perkins  
Pat Polly  
Frank Randol

Pat Rasler  
Jack Reading  
Dawn Rhoades  
Cheryl Rice  
Jean Rodgers



Larry Rowe  
Ken Sanders  
Joyce Sassanella  
Jim Schmidt  
Terry Shank



John Shire  
Scott Shultz  
Tim Shultz  
Ken Shumaker  
David Slaybaugh



Morris Smallwood  
LeeAnn Smith  
Neal Smith  
Beverly Snyder  
Denise Spade







Toni Keyes brushes her hair just in case that "someone" is watching, from behind the bleachers.

"Panthers Put Cadets in Their Place" was the theme of the Freshman class Homecoming Float.



Lowell Stacy  
Dan Stalf  
Rocky Stanski  
Arden Straw



Diane Strawser  
Debbie Sunday  
Michelle Thomas  
Mary Todd  
James Tracey



Vicki Tracey  
Jim Tubbs  
James Tullis  
Penny Walton  
Margo Welker



Thurza West  
Bill White  
Curtis Wilson  
Debra Wilson  
Larry Wooster

# Eighth grade rulers of upstairs halls

With a whole year of experience behind them the eighth grade settled into the routine of classwork. The school building was no longer a strange new adventure, but a more familiar place to study and have fun. Eighth graders trooped into the halls of PHHS with much more confidence than the shy and somewhat frightened seventh graders of the year before. They were now the rulers of the upstairs hall and they gazed at the new seventh graders with sympathy in their hearts.

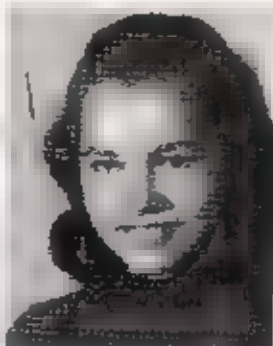
The spunky eighth graders yelled at the top of their lungs as they tried to outdo the other classes, during pep sessions.

As the end of the school year drew close eighth graders began to look forward to next year, when they would enter the downstairs halls and finally become a part of the high school.



Trying earnestly to out yell the other classes for the spirit stick, the eighth grade scream at the top of their lungs.

Danny Armey  
Loralee Armstrong  
Richard Baad  
Nicole Barker  
Sue Barroquillo



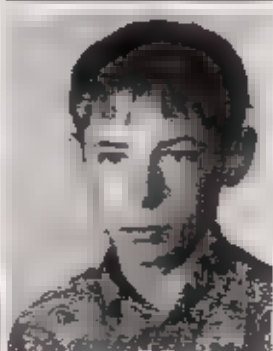
Angela Barto  
Ronnie Bolen  
Roger Bolinger  
Cletus Bontrager



Debbie Booher  
Brad Booth  
Phillip Boyer  
Duane Boyles  
Rebecca Brown



Kenny Burtch  
Barbara Charles  
William Chowning  
Richard Cline  
Rick Collins



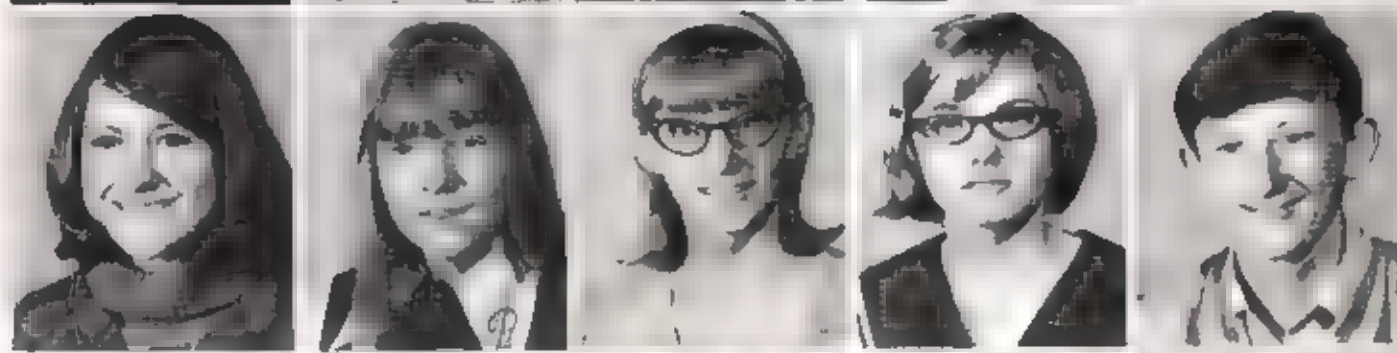




Tom Coney  
Harlie Conley  
Jason Cowley  
Michele Cox  
Randy Crawford



David Cummings  
Barry Dangler  
Laureen Davis  
Marilyn Day  
Steve Eberhard



Patricia Ernsberger  
Regina Folkner  
Darlene Forker  
Debra Freed  
Mike Freed



Ronald Freeman  
Lynn Frehse  
Teresa Frick  
Albert Friend  
Dianne Fries

Eighth grade students enjoy chorus rehearsals, as well as other liberal art classes.





Mike Holden in red sweat suit practices for upcoming track meet.



The Jr. High study hall is used for various things . . . gossiping . . . studying . . . sleeping?

Scott Fuller  
Jan Galloway  
Jay Galloway  
Becky Gantt  
Barbara Gerbers



Michael German  
Gary Grenger  
Kathy Gochenaur  
Robert Goudy  
Mary Ellen Grabill



Andy Graham  
Tina Green  
Linda Griffin  
William Haag  
Arthur Hall



John Hall  
Dennis Halsey  
Steve Hamman  
Edwin Handshoe  
Laura Harr







Michael Hayward  
Carter Hicks  
Michael Holden  
Cynthia Holiday  
Jeannette Hollowell



Kevin Hoyer  
Merrill Hunter  
Judy Harler  
Linda Kocher  
Gary Krebs



Debbie Kresley  
Thomas Langley  
Dinah Lewis  
Krasta Lower  
Gordon Mast



Sherry Mendenhall  
Robin McQuown  
Bonnie Miller  
Paul Miller  
Harry Myers



It takes more than a little rain to keep an eighth grader from attending their football games. Through rain, sleet, or snow loyal eighth graders backed their great team. This emphasizes the relentless spirit of this vigorous class.

This Jr. High class was extremely active in participating in Jr. High activities and in attending High School sports.

The eighth graders were a big help to the school in the candy sales. Their class was second-highest in the amount of candy sold in the sale.

In May the eighth graders had a class party. It was a huge success because of the organized planning and imagination of class members. Of course any party sponsored by these exuberant kids is bound to be lots of fun.

Through sleet or rain the eighth grade leaders, Mary Ellen Grabill, Ava Sellers, and Tonya Summers, led the fans in backing their victorious team.

Eric Mynhier  
Tina Nelison  
Nancy Ness  
Raymond Ness  
Jimmy Owsley



Dana Parker  
Diana Perkins  
Laura Petrick  
Betty Polly  
Gary Ramey



Neal Reading  
Debra Rhinesmith  
Rhea Riegel  
Patricia Robinson  
John Rogers



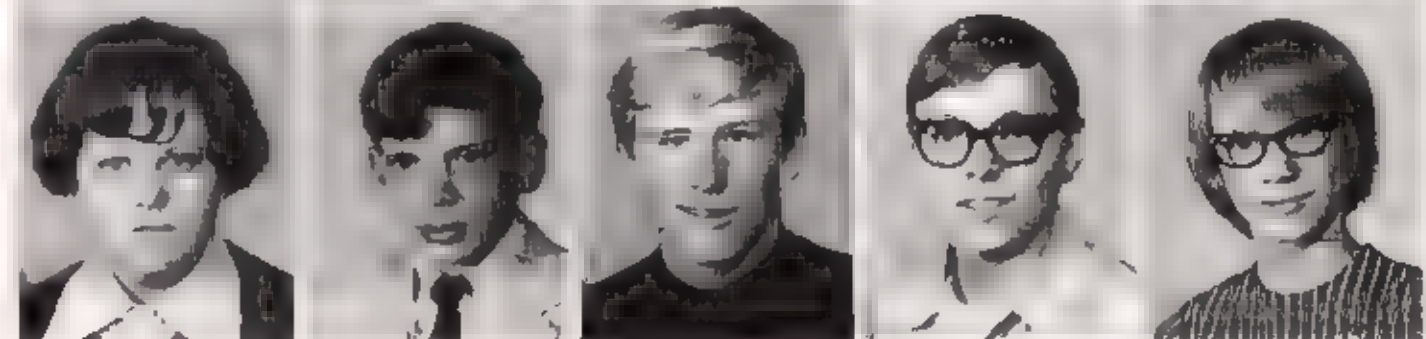
David Sams  
Sheldon Sanders  
Ava Sellers  
Kathy Shane  
Michael Shephard



Melinda Shipe  
Dena Skeels  
Birdenna Smallwood  
Terry Smith  
Cynthia Snively



Kathy Sobasky  
Gary Spencer  
Chuck Spillner  
Robert Stauffer  
Ruby Stuart



Tonya Summers  
Greg Sutton

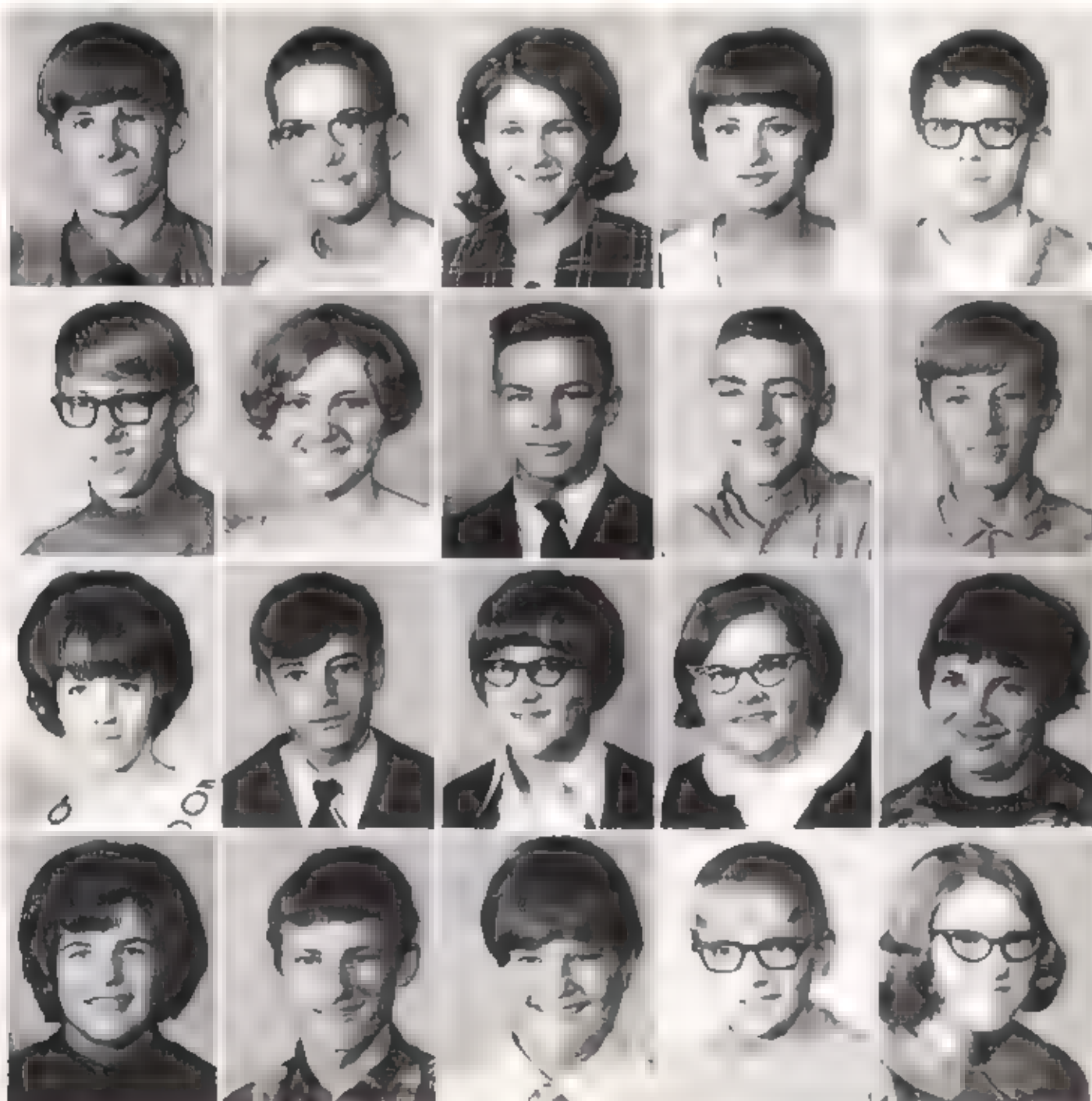






Sponsors and Class Officers of the 8th grade are: Mr. King, Mr. Young (Sponsors), Mike German (Reporter), Mary

Grabill (Treas.), Ava Sellers (Pres.), Jerry Gienger (V-Pres.), Tonya Summers (Sec.).

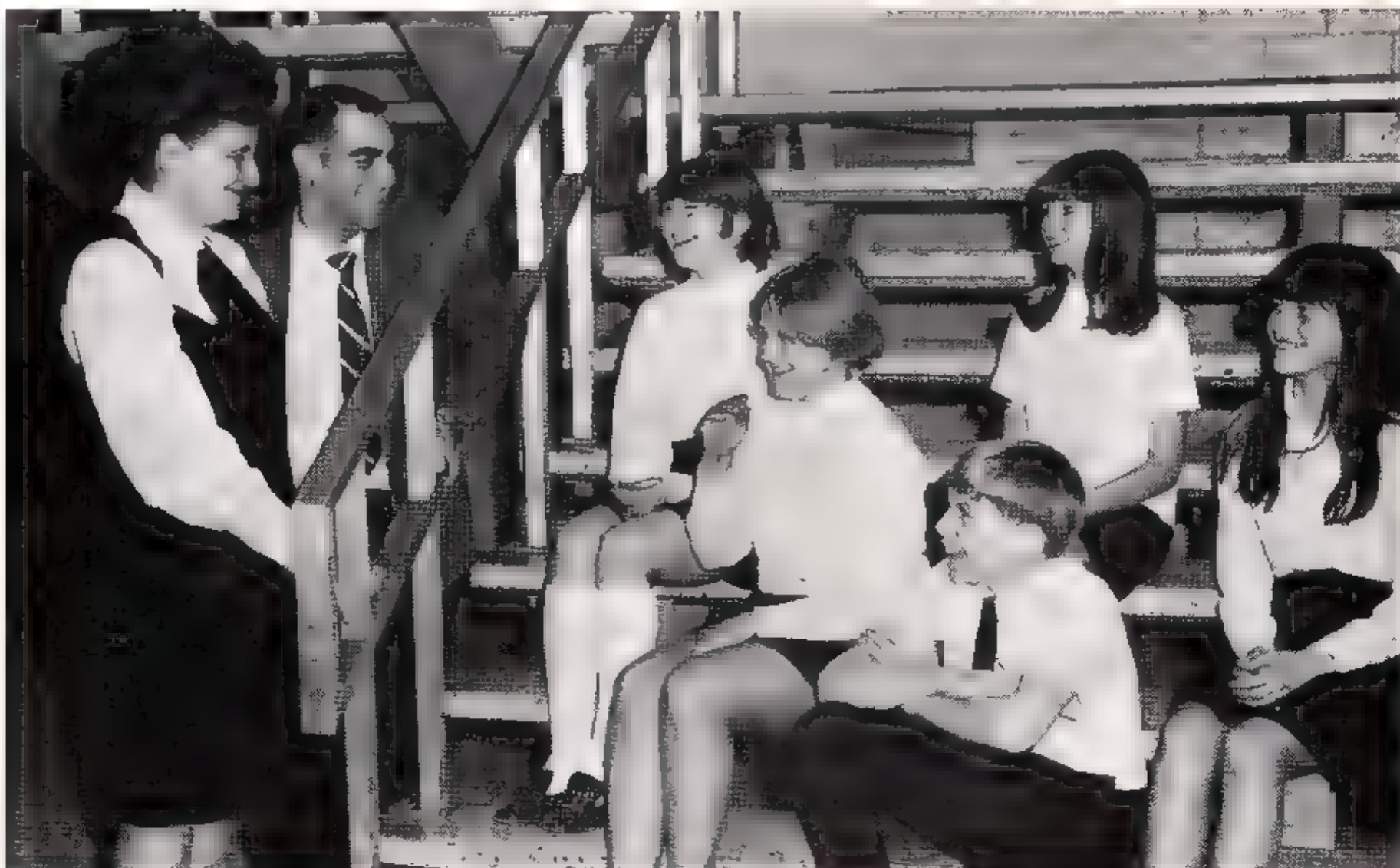


Rodney Taylor  
Ervin Tilbury  
Karen Towers  
Penny Tracey  
Daniel Tubbs

Kevin Tubbs  
Kathleen Tullis  
Denzil Tuttle  
Mark Tuttle  
John Watkins

Patricia Watson  
Wayne Wells  
Pat Werner  
Roberta Wilder  
Emma Willms

Cindy Witham  
Larry Wooster  
Robin Yearington  
Leonard Young  
Martha Young



Seventh grade class officers: Mrs. German, sponsor, Mr. Hostler, sponsor; Debbie Rigg, vice-president; Teresa

Boots, reporter; Tony Summers, president; Cindy Keyes, secretary; Karen Click, treasurer.

## Class of '75 show greatest panther spirit

It was the future class of '75 that led the panthers in spirit this year. Senior high students were astounded and shamed when the seventh graders were the first to win the spirit stick. This was one case where the higher classes took a lesson from the younger one. It's a switch when a group of students who have never before attended Prairie Heights or even worked together as a class, can teach the "old hands" a lesson. Our school really needed some new blood, with a fresh approach to school loyalty, and we got it when we got our seventh graders.

The spirit stick was awarded a total of six times to this deserving class. The peppy seventh graders added a new spirit of enthusiasm and vitality to Prairie Heights. They were extremely active in pep session skits and in putting up posters to arouse school spirit. Our thanks to the Seventh grade for their help in awakening "Panther Spirit".



This seventh grade girl proudly displays the spirit stick at a football game. The seventh graders always fought earnestly for this honor.



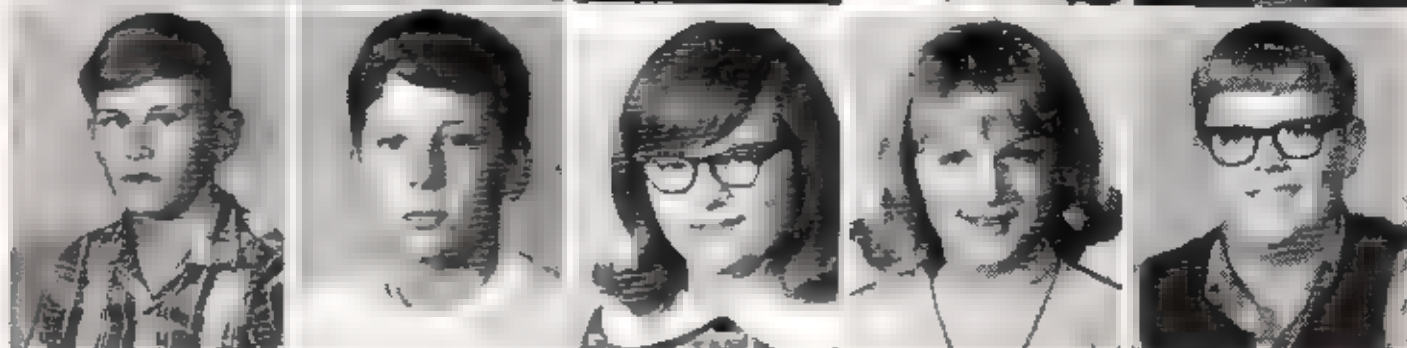
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R. B. Amburgey  
Doris Anderson  
Susan Becker



Larry Beer  
Christine Beiswanger  
Lee Beiswanger  
Kathy Bellinger  
Peggy Blackburn



Darill Blankenship  
Danny Boggs  
Linda Bolen  
Teresa Boots  
Jeffrey Bryant



Cindy Christoffel  
Teresa Clay  
Karen Click  
Kim Coker  
Joan Conley



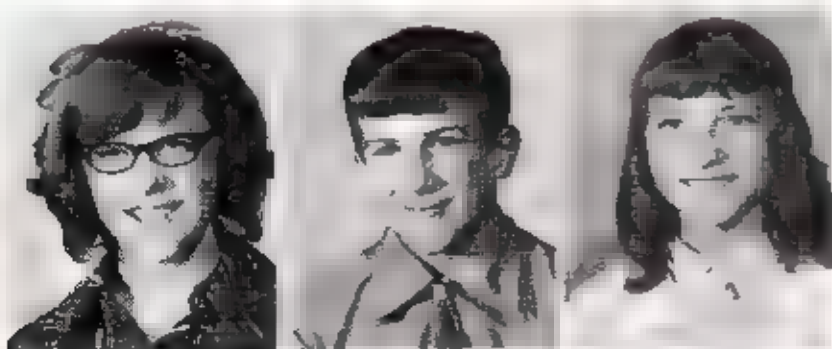
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Jeffrey Courtright  
Terry Crawford  
Allan Deetz  
Donald DeGraw



Patricia DeLancey  
Debbie Elliot  
Greg Ensley  
Paula Everidge  
Sherrie Fiedler



Sherry Frick  
Barry Friend  
Ronald Friend  
Sam Frey  
Debbie Gaetz



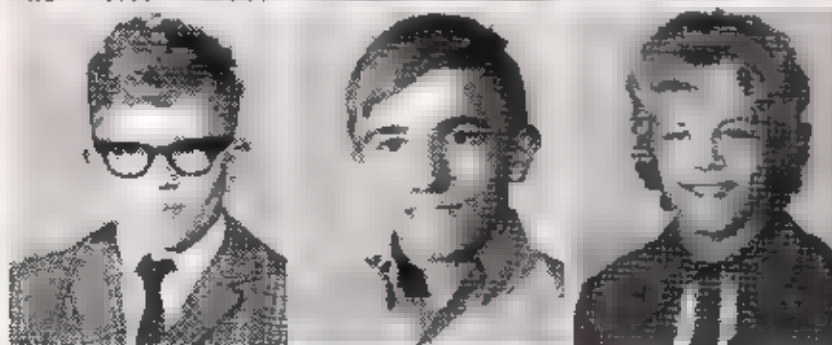
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Gary Gage  
Carla Gappinger



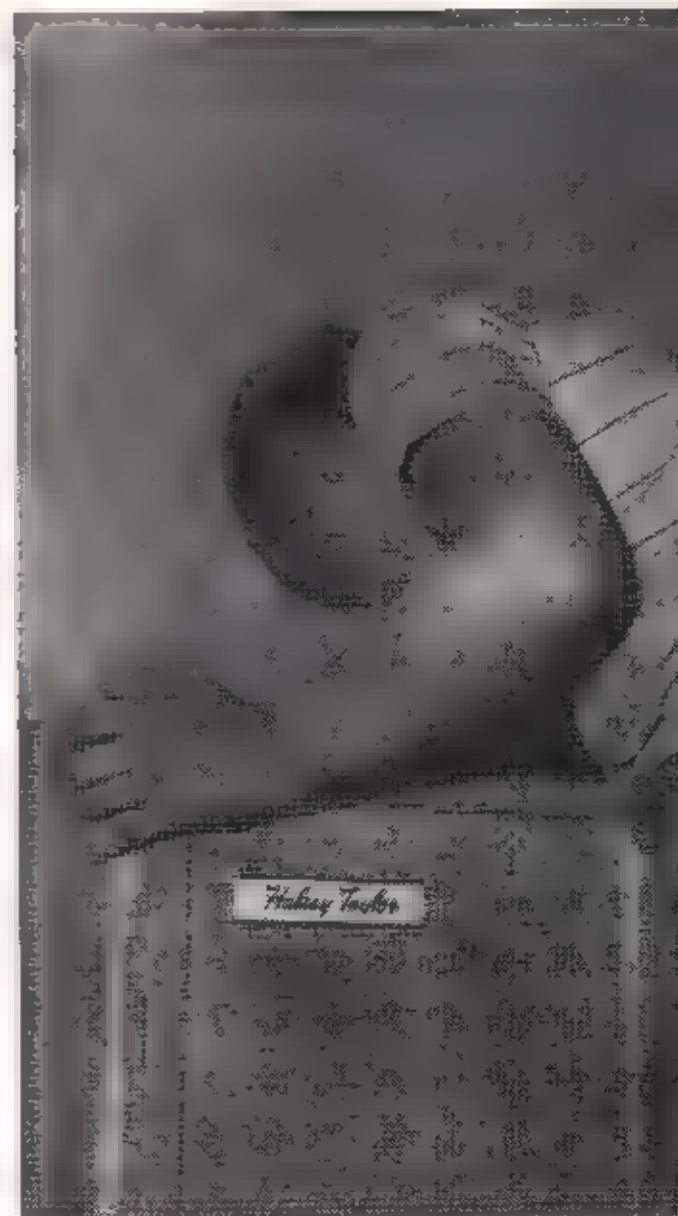
Denise German  
Rita Gibson  
Ronnie Gose



Kandi Graham  
Mark Green  
Cindy Haag



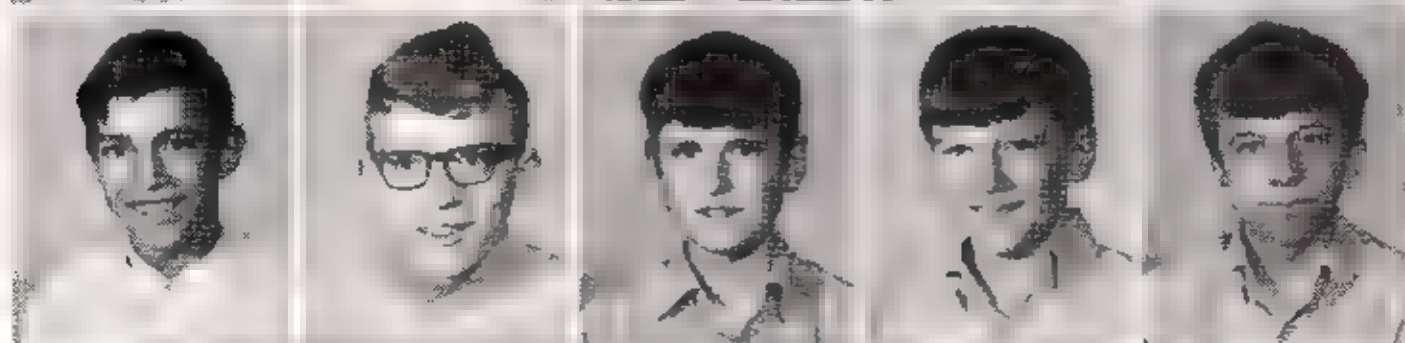
Randy Halferty  
Darrell Halsey  
Ronda Halsey



This jr. high student, braces himself for his next class, with a refreshing drink from the water fountain



Mildred Handshoe  
Divine Hartman  
Brenda Hayward  
Barbara Hodge  
Terry Holsinger



Gregory Horn  
David Hughes  
Gregory Iddings  
Dennis James  
Roger Jones



Cindy Keyes  
Jeffrey Kiess  
Stephen Kurtz  
Judy Leaders  
Jacqueline Lee





Believe it or not this charming "girl" in football uniform is actually Brad Booth. He was a real "knock out" to the crowd during a pep session skit.



Carson Leistikow  
Brenda Leiter  
Teri Lepley  
Kathy Levitz  
Daniel Lewis



Harlan Lewis  
Randy Long  
Greg Luttman  
Sandra Mast  
Shawn McKown



Charles McMahon  
Rene Mendenhall  
Daniel Merriman  
Jodie Messer  
Lois Middleton



Belinda Milleman  
Bruce Milleman  
Cynthia Miller  
Darrell Miller  
Denis Miller



Kim Miller  
Michael Mulholland  
Sharon Mullins  
Lucinda Munger  
Joyce Ness

# Seventh tops in candy sales

As the year progressed, the seventh graders became more accustomed to their new surroundings, and began to feel more at home in PHHS. They were encouraged to take part in Junior High activities, and soon were participating wholeheartedly.

In the annual candy sales, the seventh graders came out on top by a narrow margin over the eighth grade. The highest candy salesman was from their class. They approached candy sales as they did everything else, as a challenge to be met and won. With their usual exuberance, the seventh graders were victorious.



Randy Long proudly displays the twenty-five dollars he won for selling the most candy in the candy sales sponsored by the Athletic Department.

George New



Cathy Northup  
Donald Owsley  
Loretta Parker  
Bertha Pelfry  
Suzanne Pettyjohn



Norman Pfafman  
Debra Phares  
Connie Pocock  
Karolynn Prough  
Tanya Randol



Gary Rasler  
Cindy Rathburn  
Mark Rathburn  
Jeffrey Reese  
Denise Rhoades







Dorothy Richmond  
Debbie Rigg  
Earnie Ritchie  
David Sams  
Mark Sellers

Jeanne Shire  
Barry Simon  
James Singleton  
Judy Sizemore  
Mary Slaybaugh

Cynthia Snyder  
Kathy Sperry  
Dean Spriggs  
Gloria Stayner  
Russell Stevens

Sandra Straw  
Tony Summers  
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Debra Terry  
Cheryl Thomas



Tony Thrush  
Cathy Tracey  
Sharon Tritch  
Vickie Tuttle  
Barbara Walker



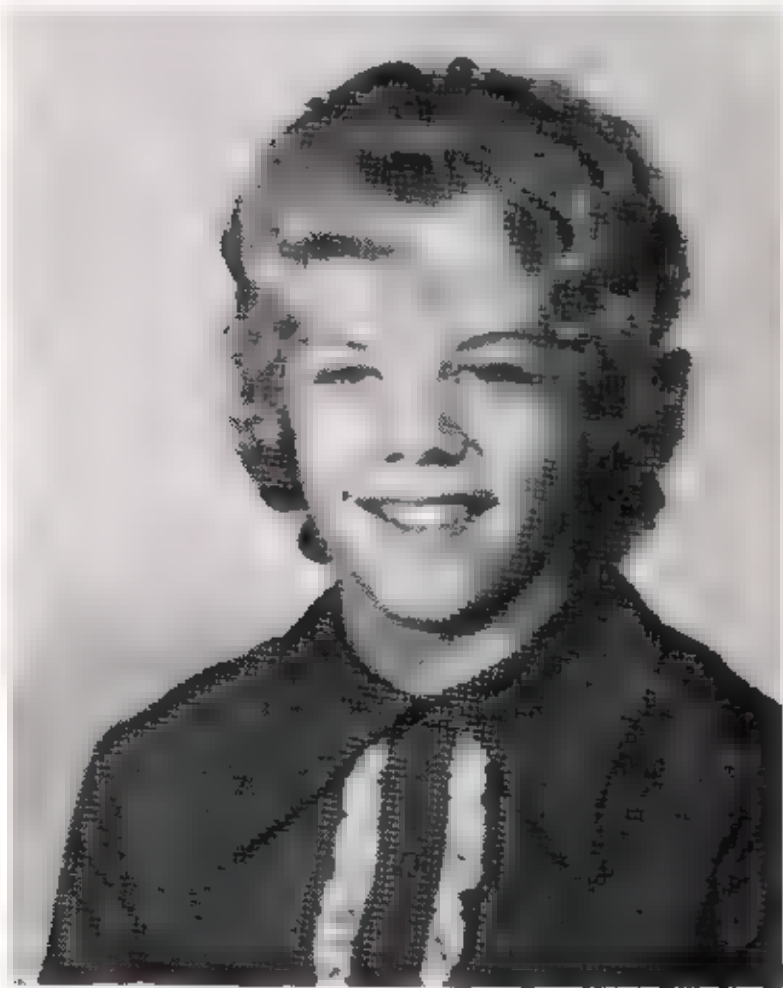
Mike Weldon  
Cynthia Wells  
Terry Wilson  
Bobbi Witham  
Leslie Wooster



Terry Wooster  
Vicky Wooster  
Betty Wortham  
Paul Wortham  
David Young



# In Memoriam



To Ronda Halsey:

Sorry I had to leave this way  
I'll watch over and smile for  
you every day.  
I didn't have time for a last good-bye  
But up here, I'm happy, so please  
don't cry  
I'll keep and guide you forever  
more,  
'Til all of us meet at heaven's  
bright shore.  
Remember I love you,  
Remember I care,  
I'll always be with you,  
Though you don't see me there.  
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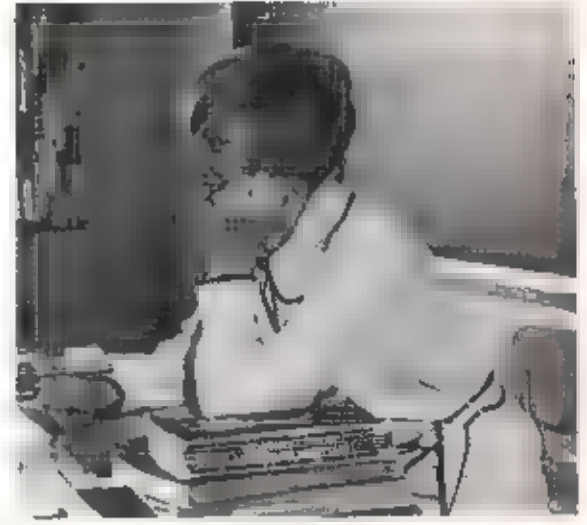
# Teachers are most important



Mrs. Mary Anderson



Mr. James Rubley



Mrs. Jane Scoville

## Teachers perform skit



If any one part of the school system could be labeled, "Most Important," it would have to be the teaching department, for what would a school be without teachers? Students might smile wistfully at this idea but if it were to materialize, they would soon want and even beg to have their instructors back.

Prairie Heights is equipped with an excellent staff of qualified instructors, and each is vital to the educational ability of our school. Each teacher is responsible for helping students in his field along the road of education.

When a teacher signs a contract, he opens himself up for many headaches, disappointments, and heartaches. Still, his job is rewarding if he can look into a student's eyes and see a glimmer of wisdom shining or an idea being born.

Mrs. Jane Somers

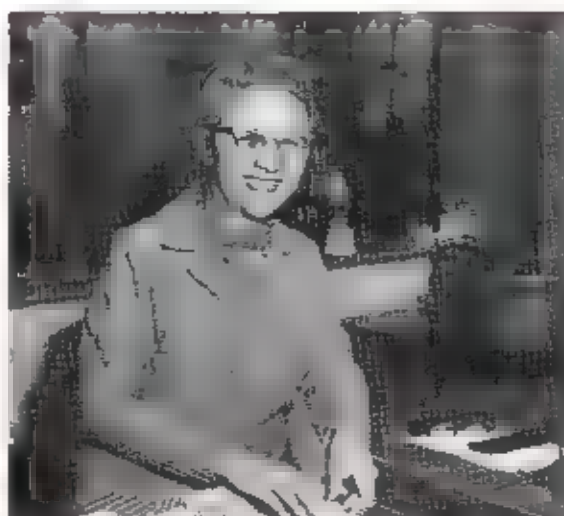
Miss Elaine Bomberger

Mr. Robert Shephard





Mrs. Martha Helmuth



Mrs. Dorothy Bryan



Miss Barbara Wall



Mr. Gerald Warfel



Mr. Russell Hepler



Mr. Ernest Young



Mr. Marvin Baney



Mr. Richard Weaver



Mr. Edward Deitsch



Mrs. Maryann Haggerty



Mr. Hubert Kuhn



Mr. John King





Mr. Paul Gilman



Mr. Howard Smeltzer



Mr. Marvin Holman



Mr. Robert Hosteller



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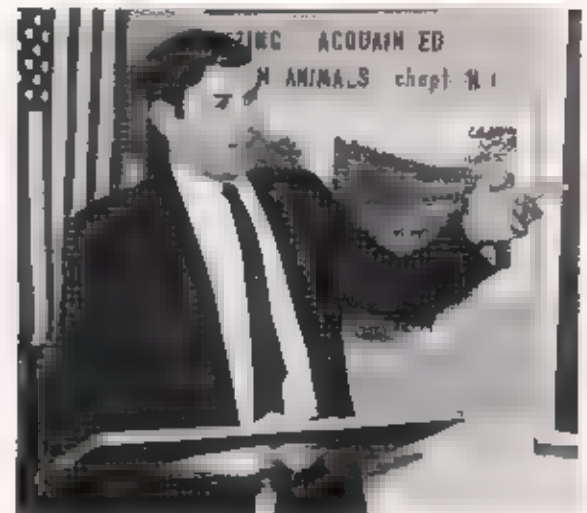
# Teachers receive pins for service



Mr. Ned Stump



Mrs. Virginia Collins



Mr. Richard Grubaugh

Our teachers are sometimes given little or no recognition for their hard and faithful labors. People are just too busy in the rush, rush of living to stop a little while and say "Well done." However, this year, thanks to our principal, Mr. Shiarer, PHHS teachers were given honorary notice at a special awards program especially for teachers. At this program teachers were presented with a little pin as thanks for their efforts. The pins differed according to years of service, some were plain and others had tiny diamond sets. These pins delivered the message that people often neglect to say. They told our instructors, "Hey, we're grateful for all you've done, though sometimes we don't seem to be. Thanks for hanging in there and getting the job done." Many a teacher received this small token of appreciation with a lump in their throat.

As we peek through the door of Speech class, we are a little wary of what we shall see. Sometimes strange things occur in this class. But today it is quiet, as Mr. Hepler and Rick Tracey discuss a problem. Wonder how long it will stay so orderly?



Mr. Ronald Hefty



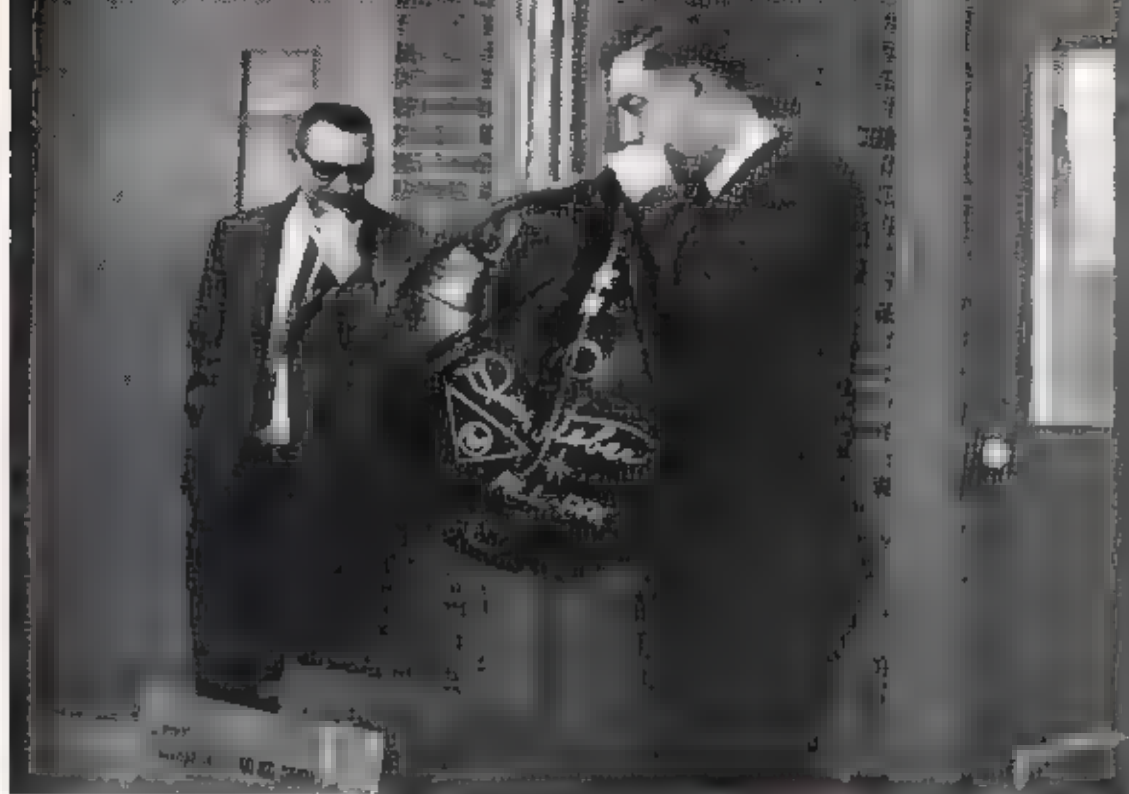
Mr. John Bremer



Mr. Harry Krebs







Teachers have the sometimes difficult job of trying to help that one bit of knowledge, that least grain of wisdom soak in. Always prodding us forward, with more assignments they help us along toward that one ultimate goal—the goal of life. With their help and guidance we learn from our textbooks and classroom experiences, but most important we learn to know ourselves.

Mr. Shirar blows up the huge plastic bowling ball that was presented to him by the teachers bowling league.

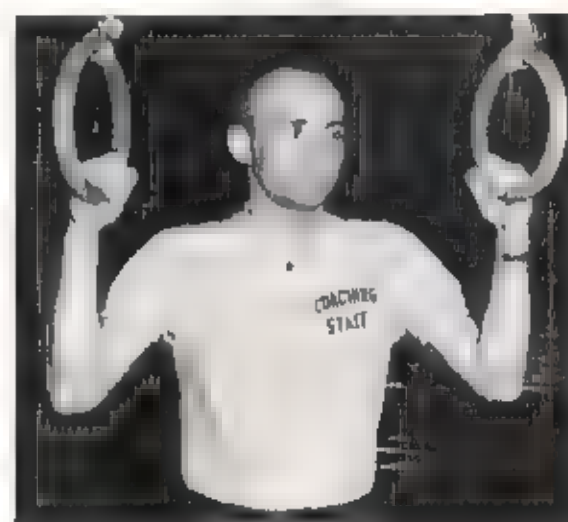
Miss Carolyn Davis



Mr. James Kain



Mr. Doyne Click



Mr. Bruce Riegel



Mr. James Fuller



Mrs. Mary Emerick



Mrs. Paula German



Mrs. Mary Henderson



Mrs. Louise Parr



# The Administration—foundation of our school

What would we do without the "key people"—the superintendent, principal, assistant principal, guidance counselors, and the school board? They are the ones who make the decisions on important and trivial concerns after careful consideration. Although not everyone always agrees with the resolutions they set forth, these "key people" endeavor earnestly to formulate regulations which would be the best for the majority in our school.



Brice Diehl—Superintendent

School Board Members. Mr. Burton Lewis, (President), Mr. James Butler, (Member), Mr. Kenneth Perkins, (Secretary), Mr. Brice Diehl, (Superintendent), Mr. Don Sellers, (Vice President), Mr. Dale Hughes, (Member).





# Administration—foundation of school



Gordon Grabill  
Jr. High Guidance Counselor



E. Earl Shirar  
Principal



Gary Foltz  
Sr. High Guidance Counselor



Hubert Cline  
Assistant Principal

## Backstage—where the action is . . .



Cooks. *SEATED:* Virginia Spero, Lois Faust, Marcella Blair, Delia Keller, Georgene Call, Francis Stayner. *STANDING:* Jenny Hayward, Charlotte Morningstar.

The tasks performed behind the scenes, before lunch hour, or before any type of program, are often taken for granted. We, the students, don't stop to realize the importance of the behind-the-scene crew of cooks and janitors. The feeding of 700 students and the cleaning up after them is not always an easy task. We often complain, but we recognize the condition our school would be in without their consistency.



Custodians. Wenzil Barto, Walter Bergman, Katherine Fuller, Robert Kellett.

Dietician: Jane Coler.





# School ran smoothly by secretaries



Keeping school records in order, typing business letters, and making the running of our school an efficient and smooth process are the duties of school secretaries. These ladies are an absolutely necessary part of our school, though sometimes they aren't given the recognition they well deserve.

The bookkeeper of PHHS combines her efforts with those of the secretaries in making school operations efficient. It is a tedious job to keep the books and records necessary for the running of a school, even of our size.

The school nurse, has the job of taking temperatures, caring for ill students, and of operating the clinic.

**SCHOOL SECRETARIES**, Mrs. Coy Riegel, Mrs. Charleen Gaetz, and Mrs. Joan Butler, make school operations efficient.

The school nurse has many duties besides caring for ill students. Here she checks a student's weight for school records.



Mrs. Dolores Hughes, bookkeeper, and Mrs. Jane Schuyler, secretary, have the tedious job of doing the office work that is a necessary part of school life.

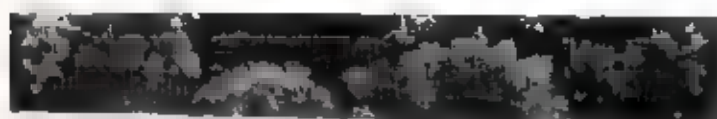


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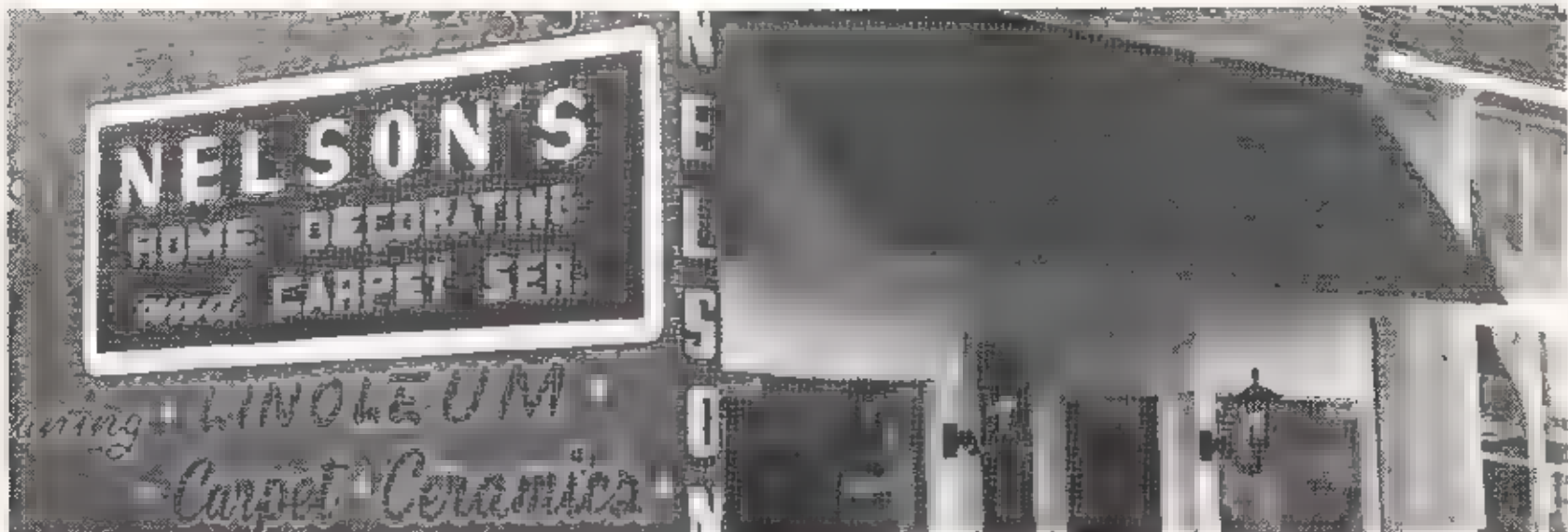


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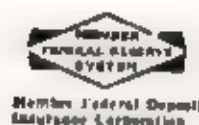
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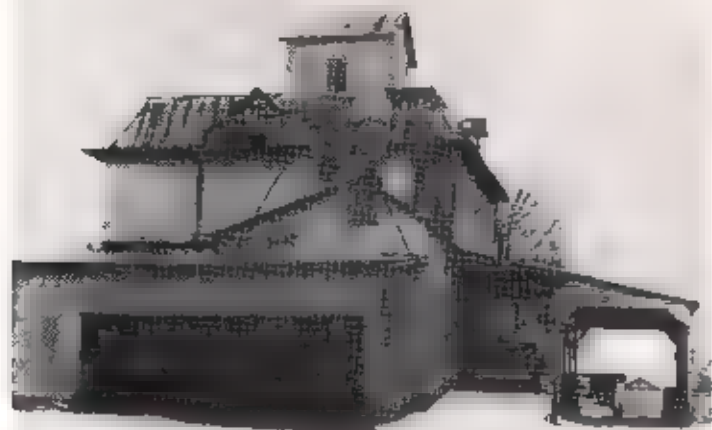


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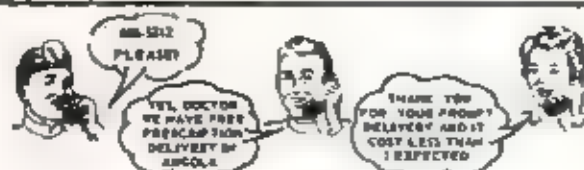
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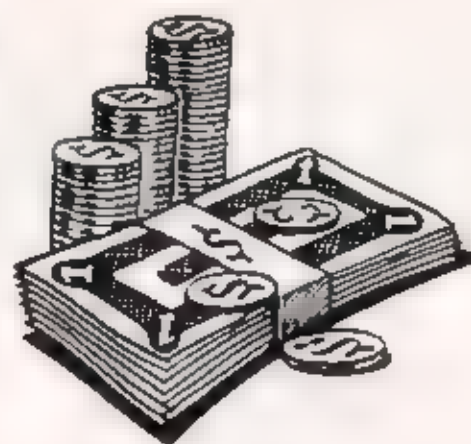
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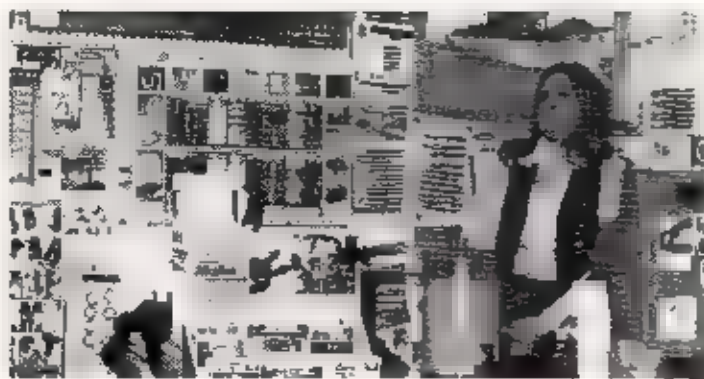
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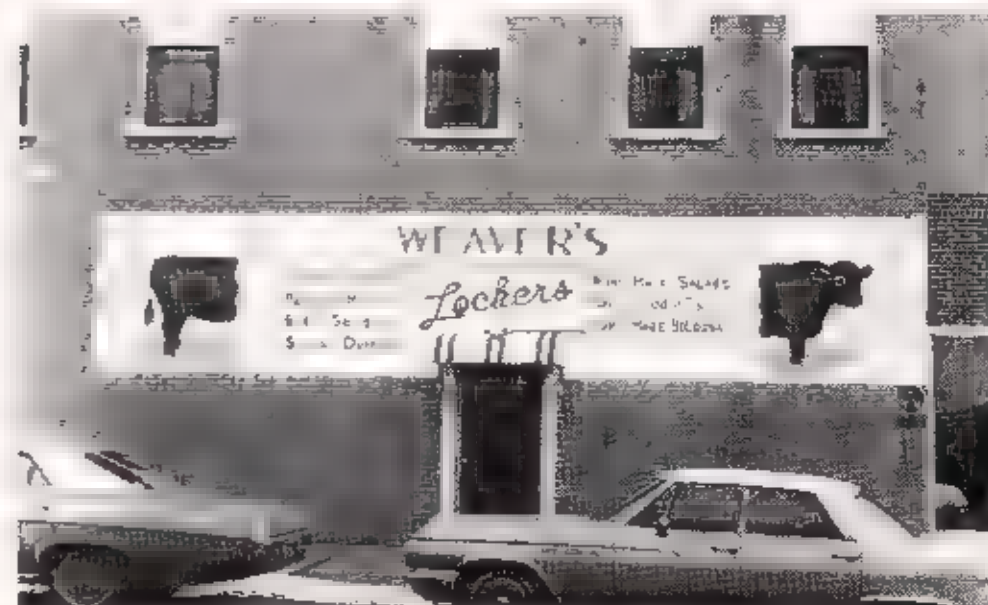
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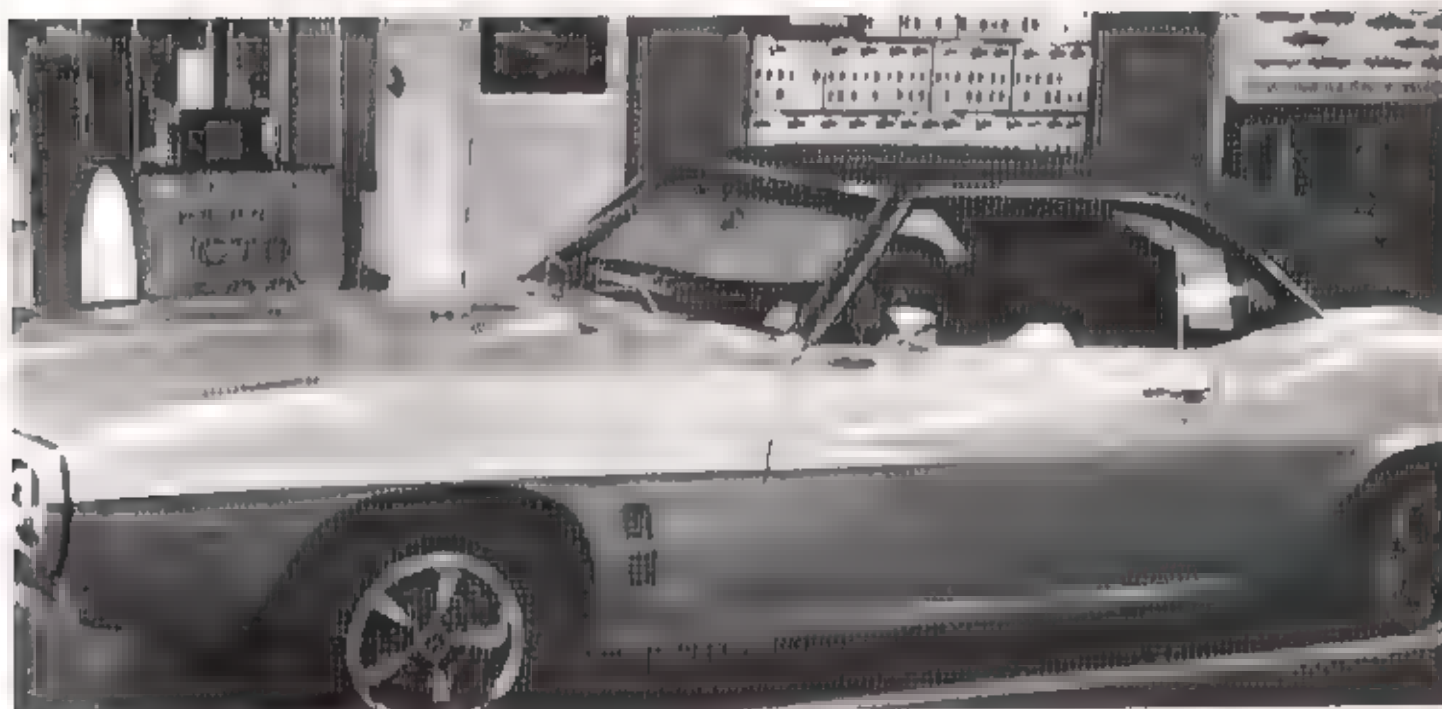
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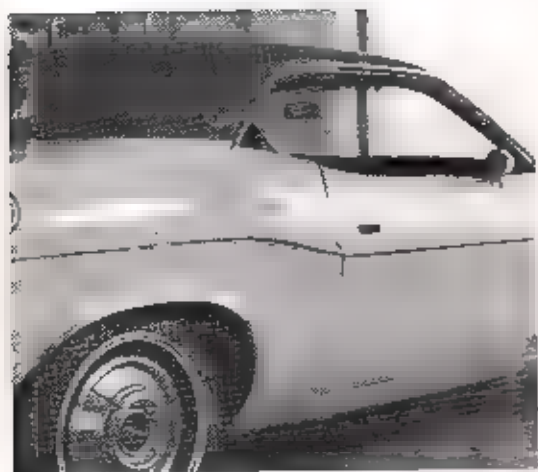
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